

St. Genevieve's Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes - May 25, 2022

Those present included Father Pedro, Deacon Bill Wehmeyer, Jim Brousseau, Nancy Kirner, Carmen Merrill, Ginny Humling, Dennis Doyle, and Don Haley.

Our new neighbors, Ben and Katrina, have been very pleasant and easy to communicate with. They plan to remove lilacs and do fencing themselves with the fence placed on the original boundary. We said that we would help with financing the lilac removal and fence and should also be able to get some type of work party to help as well. It is still unclear if they are interested in an easement or river access, at this point.

A nearby neighbor is interested in selling their property; however, they have not yet decided how much of the property they are interested in selling. Therefore, we don't know if the property would benefit St. Genevieve's needs. We are investigating potential funding and loan possibilities depending on the potential seller's final decisions.

It was unanimously agreed that changes needed to be made with a volunteer currently leading some of our church's music on Sundays. Father and another Pastoral Council member will inform that person that their services will not be needed at this time. We will be looking for an alternative person to help lead music during Sunday liturgies.

We will be installing a combination lock for the back door near our security camera. We will also rekey the other doors to help increase security. Parishioners will have access to the combination. Also, we discussed exit signs, emergency lights, and updating fire extinguishers. Finally, it was discovered that we do not need guardrails for the steps near the street since they are shorter than the code requirements.

The date for the Annual Parish Picnic will be September, 11th, assuming we can reserve the Twisp Park again.

There was discussion about religious education for the Fall. Father will check on vaccination requirements. A parishioner volunteered to lead a group of preteen/teens. We will focus on sacramental preparation for those in 3rd Grade and older. We will put an item in the Bulletin about this in the future.

Fr. Pedro will be out of town from Aug. 8 to Aug. 26.

Next Pastoral Council meeting will be Wed., August 3, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Genevieve's.