

September 27, 2018 Joint Finance Councils Minutes

The joint meeting was called to order by Paul Gries. Fr. Leo led us in Prayer.

Joan Knack made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. All approved.

First item was a discussion of the budget process we will use to set up the 2019 budget. It was agreed to follow the same procedures as last year. Fr. gave an update on the hiring of a Youth Minister for all three Parishes. So far there are no takers. The Diocesan 150th Anniversary Mass with the Bishop was not well attended and the Bishop and Finance Councils left after Mass to go to Thorp so not many stayed for the lunch downstairs. The councils felt that too much was packed into one day. The September 5th Deanery Convocation did not have too many attendees.

Diocesan Annual Appeal quotas have been sent out. The donations are to be sent directly to the Diocese in LaCrosse. Grace questioned if the dollar amount we are assessed can be challenged. St. Anthony's assessment went up over 8% and St. Mary's went down over 1%. The assessment quotas are calculated from the Parish Annual Report that is sent in to LaCrosse annually.

Fr. asked the councils how his performance has been since coming here in July. If anyone wants to make any comments can do so either oral or written, signed or unsigned.

Meeting adjourned and the three councils broke into separate meetings.

Frean Selz, Secretary