

Cathedral of St. Joseph  
Vocations Committee  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 6, 2020

**I. Opening Prayer**

Ginny Bockwinkel led the opening prayer.

**II. Roll Call**

In attendance: Ginny Bockwinkel, Dena Brand, John Poepsel, Shawn Bailes, Carol Hartman, Terry Vignola, Dan Kempker, Angie Mengwasser, and new members Ann Kampeter, and Jake Seifert.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

The previous meeting minutes were approved.

**IV. Report on Ongoing Activities**

**A. Weddings:**

There was one wedding in September.

**B. Baptisms:**

Congratulatory letters were sent to five families who had their six children baptized in September.

**C. Cards for Priests, Deacons, Consecrated Religious and/or Seminarians:**

- Praying for You cards sent to priests, deacons, consecrated religious, and seminarians during each of the four weekends in September..
- Three birthday and anniversary cards also sent in September.

**D. Budget:** Volunteers from the committee agreed to form a sub-committee to look at the materials recently received in order to present the best options to the entire committee for it's consideration before purchasing any of the materials.

**E. Cards to be signed:** None

**F. Letters in Process :** None

**G. Report of committee member, Shawn Bailes**

Shawn attended a meeting at the Cathedral School with the teachers in attendance. He was informing them of the value of classrooms who adopt a seminarian. The seminarians themselves have expressed how meaningful it is to know that a specific classroom is praying for them. The class often sends letters and drawings to their adopted seminarian. Ten of the classrooms will participate in this program. Posters and materials were also given to the teachers.

**V New Business:**

**A. Upcoming dates of interest**

- **National Vocation Awareness Week - November 1-7** A “Pray for Vocations” holy card will be available after each Mass that weekend.
  
- **Epic Packet - Committee member, Angie Mengwasser has just received a packet with materials available to the parish to help foster vocations. A sub-committee was formed with volunteers to take a close look at the various materials within the packet. This sub-committee will then present their findings to the entire committee who will then purchase the materials best suited to help foster prayers for vocations.**
  
- **Scheduled Meeting with Father Clark - The committee will meet with Father Clark, Director of vocations for the diocese, to find additional ways to help foster vocational awareness within the parish.**
  
- **Other new business - It was recommended that the committee search for student representatives from Helias Catholic High School and the Cathedral School in order to get their perspective on vocations efforts that the committee is considering.**
  
- **A “Pray for Vocations” holy card will be placed in the take-out bag during the Parish Christmas Bazaar Turkey Dinner (Drive Thru Only). Students in the Confirmation Class will be assisting during the drive thru.**

**VI. Next Meeting Date and Time:**

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Mary Room.

**VII. Closing Prayer was lead by Ginny Bockwinkel.**

Respectfully Submitted, John Poepsel, Secretary