

**St. Francis of Assisi Finance Council Minutes**  
**December 19, 2017**

A joint meeting of the SFA Pastoral Council and the Finance Council was held on December 19, 2017 at 6:30 at the Waldo Rectory. Wendy Nett of the Pastoral Council called the meeting to order. Denise Kitzerow presided for the Finance Council, in the absence of Randy Miller.

The following members of the Finance Council were present: Father Doug LeCaptain, Father Dave Pleier, Ken Brooks, Jerilynn Gill, Kate Reynolds, Hank Sturm, Tom Angst, and Denise Kitzerow. Bill Censky, Bob Fricke and Randy Miller were excused. Also present were Pat Brandel, Steve Mirsberger and Deanne Kuenzi.

1. Opening Prayer. Father LeCaptain provided the opening prayer.
2. Minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 8, 2017 minutes of the Finance Council. Motion passed.
3. Annual Meeting. Father LeCaptain reported the Parish Annual Meeting will be held on January 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Grand Avenue site to provide an update on parish activities, and reports from all parish committees. All committee members are encouraged to attend and participate.
4. 20/20 Planning Update. Pat Brandel reported the 20/20 Committee expects to meet prior to the Parish Annual Parish meeting. The Building and Grounds Committee chaired by Kevin Wilke has completed its initial assessment of all parish properties, has received price information for various options of use, and is working on a recommendation for prioritizing the facilities.
5. Discipleship – Alpha Groups. Father LeCaptain described Alpha Groups and their role in discipleship. The program is similar to the Renew program. A training session will be held January 14, 2018. The goal is to form 1-2 groups, each consisting of 7-10 persons, to meet 8-10 sessions. Alpha Groups are further described in Chapter 5 of the book Divine Renovation.
6. Pastor's Comments.
  - a. Gather Missal donation update: Received 1161 missal donations; the goal is 1300 and the target date for completion is Ash Wednesday.
  - b. Miscellaneous budget matters: Father LeCaptain pointed out that the entry of \$280,000 under the Wills and Bequests income category balances the budget.
  - c. Thank you: Father LeCaptain thanked the members of the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council for their generous and consistent service to the Parish throughout the past year.
7. New Business. Father LeCaptain distributed the Survey form which will be used in early 2018 regarding the Saturday 4:00 p.m. mass, and preferences for any change in time, to encourage and increase mass attendance. He also distributed the Request for Time at Open

Forum form for use by the public before a Finance Council or Pastoral Council meeting. Finally, Father LeCaptain distributed to each member his/her own copy of the book: Divine Renovation and asked each member to read the book beginning with Chapter 5. This will serve as a basis for discussion at our next meeting, and for planning in the near future.

The next meeting of the Finance Council will be **January 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** at the parish office.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Reynolds