

Finance Council Minutes
St. John the Baptist Parish, Seymour
October 22, 2019

Present: Father Sengole, John Mahlik, Chris Linsmeyer, Penny Schampers, Dan VanBoxtel

Absent: Ann Theroux, Tom Romanowski, Anna Schadrie, John Smet

Meeting began in prayer.

1. The meeting minutes from September 3, 2019 were approved.
2. Financial statements were reviewed for August 31, 2019 and September 30, 2019.
 - a. Parish support is up slightly over last year. Personnel costs are also up slightly. Expenses exceed revenues so far this year. Going forward expense will need to be monitored.
3. The annual meeting will be Sunday at 11am. The annual report will be included in the bulletin for everyone to see. It was suggested that the Parish Council members and John Steltz be asked to attend the meeting also.
4. The One by One Campaign from the Diocese will be coming in the spring.
 - a. The Parish will be asked to create a fundraising teams and will be given a fundraising goal.
 - b. The funds will be used for one of the following areas:
 - i. Help with education, social services, living justice ministries, care for seminarians or the critical needs of the parishes.
 - ii. The Parish will receive 50% of the campaign funds collected towards our goal.
 - c. There is more information about the campaign at one.catholicfoundationgb.org.
5. Bishops Appeal shortfall is about \$6,000.
6. Reviewed the revised Property Use Policy. There were a couple suggested changes:
 - a. The first item which lists the parish building but does not include the Parish Center.
 - b. The second items that references the current leases should be removed
 - c. Any reference to key should be replaced with key fob since keys are not given out anymore.
7. Since there will be no meeting before Christmas, an email will be sent with what was done for donations last year for Christmas to see how we would like to proceed this year.
8. The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting January 21st at 6:30pm.