

**St. John the Baptist Parish  
915 Ivory Street  
Seymour, Wisconsin**

***Parish Council Minutes  
May 25, 2017  
6:30 pm***

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Present: Fr. Brian Belongia, Jonathon Krull, Andy Patz, Mike Blohm, Ray, Jill Ullmer,  
Amy Linsmeyer, Cathy Krull, John Kurczek, Jennie Huettl

Absent: Ray Leisgang

Opening prayer: Andy Patz

1. Update on the Welcoming committee with their three goals: 1) Welcome; 2) Reach out; and 3) Getting more people involved. They have put up bulletin boards for announcing new members, weddings, baptisms, anniversaries or any other celebrations. The gift basket for a family that celebrated a baptism was appreciated.
2. "The Daniel Plan": healthy eating related to a spiritual lifestyle is moved to a September/October start time.
3. We have a need for three people for the finance council. Terms for three people are up. The Finance Council meets every other month. Business experience is not a requisite. This is an elected position. Possibly have someone from the current Finance Council talk for a couple minutes at mass on what they do.
4. The new secretary will be starting on June 5. Keith is leaving and we are looking for a groundskeeper and a cemetery worker. Keith will stay on through the summer doing cemetery grounds keeping. Also for the next month, we will need parishioners to pick up the gap in cleaning - - a "community cleanup".
5. For people volunteering to help out, there would be an age limit for various activities such as raking, etc. We would present volunteering opportunities as community service hours for the high school students. To present at Religious Education for eighth graders and up. Looking for opportunities for smaller kids to help out as well (picking up sticks at the cemetery, etc.) Jill would be happy to head up a committee for the younger ones. Possible activities: garden, arts and crafts, pair up with someone from the nursing home, etc. Jill expressed interest in helping with administering the church's Facebook page.

There will be a stewardship form in an upcoming bulletin, be sure to mention high school students can also complete it.

6. If parishioners would like to donate some of the flowers from a funeral, we would be happy to keep them in church. Parishioners are also welcome to bring flowers from home to decorate the church.
7. Prayer volunteer for next meeting: Amy Linsmeyer

Closing prayer: Andy Patz

Next scheduled meeting: Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the school