

**Church of the Redeemer**  
**Pastoral Council Meeting Notes**

**Date: July 26, 2017**

- Opening Prayer: Jane
- Faith Formation: Jane, *Called to Serve*  
*Romans 12:1-21 and parallels to the role of a pastoral council in Called to Serve.*

Attendees

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jane Nucup	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Helie
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Hopper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rob Courter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Peggy Anderton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Jay Wagner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacque Linklater	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chris Colville
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Goulet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Loraine Tracy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Maria Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom Grasberger, Finance Council
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Donnie Gladfelter		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Kadukammakal		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robbie Prezioso		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mary Anne Rutledge		

- Introduction of Rob Courter, newly elected PC member
- Reports
  - Finance Council Liaison Report Review – Tom Grasberger  
*Finance Council's role in the parish is to keep an eye on the money; not to dictate how it is spent. FC prepares a balanced budget annually. Each ministry of the parish needs funding, as well as, stipends to the diocese and to support Catholic schools. FC helps the Haiti Committee monitor its finances to help them assure moneys are dispersed appropriately. FC gets involved in the maintenance projects around the parish (slowly transitioning this to a new group/committee). For example, last year Pastoral Council asked FC to provide funding for A&E tasks and to increase funding for Youth program.*  
*Church fiscal year ended on June 30. Collections exceeded projections for the year (approx. \$38K). Expenditures were also over budget (approx. \$50K); downed trees at the rectory, start-up costs for A&E*

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*effort/renderings. Overall, the parish ended up approximately \$12,000 in the black. These funds are put toward the Contingency fund.*

*Future budget challenges include the increasing costs for: health care and payments to Diocese programs.*

*Doors are expected to be completed by mid-September (installation week of September 14).*

*Roof at rectory is completed (approx. \$9K).*

*Maintenance group/committee? Will they be accomplishing the identified work or just identifying needs?*

*The group has some of the inherent skills to accomplish the work. However, they are generally tasked with trying to help the parish be more proactive in foreseeing needs and implementing necessary procurements.*

*Finance Council has extended an invitation for Parish Council members to visit the FC meetings (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of month) to gain stronger understanding of parish finances.*

- **Pastor Report**

*Upcoming events Aug 19-20, Deacon Handel will be at each mass to preach and discuss columbariums. Following that a group will meet to discuss future possibilities*

*Fr. Jose D'Arcy- to preach Aug 26-27. Pastor of St. Gerard in Roanoke.*

*There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.*

*Aug 15 Feast of Assumption of Mary*

*Erin is gathering info on ways to improve sound system. The plan is to move forward with improvements. Any needed adjustments for future A&E projects will be included in the A&E budget.*

- **Deacon Report**

*No report.*

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- Review of Committee Reports
  - Art & Environment
    - Family Statue removal update  
*The statue will be removed by Knights with help from AP Grappone & Sons at no expense.*
    - Sound system  
*Working with Erin on this topic.*
    - Worship space improvement  
*Deposit has been made. Will begin with initial CAD drawings.*
  - Evangelization
    - Relics  
*There has been some confusion over the efforts to organize this event. The confusion has been cleared up. Schedule is set for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday (3<sup>rd</sup> week of September). A 2<sup>nd</sup> collection will be made to help offset expenses (also a goodwill donation box will be available.) Fr. Anthony will deliver homily at all three masses.  
*Jane will meet with various stakeholders to clarify distribution of duties. Possibilities include:*
      - *Bookstore – Church staff will coordinate*
      - *Kneelers – Kneeler from Sacristy will suffice*
      - *Set-up – Check with the Knights*
      - *Security – Check with the Knights*
      - *Flowers – Church staff will coordinate*
      - *Candles – Regina says “No”. Need to check into this further.**
    - Fall Fellowship Festival  
*Scheduled Oct 21 at Hanover Sheriff’s Dept. We plan to have a booth at the festival. Thinking of giving prizes for a game (bean*

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*bag toss). Will put on the yellow commitment form to solicit volunteers. (possible Youth opportunity)*

- Feedback Committee

*New Parishioner Feedback: Very light response. It is difficult to determine guidance from so few responses. Jane will publish a Thank you response and indicate that we will continue to use Yellow form for volunteers. Every comment is important. Unfortunately, not all of them can be acted upon.*

*What should Eucharistic minister do when someone comes to Communion for a blessing? Only a priest can give a blessing. Perhaps an educational article can be prepared for the Bulletin. Dave and Fr. Jay will discuss this with the prayer leaders.*

*R.E. Survey results will be distributed soon.*

- Review of Liaison Reports:

- R.E. and Youth Report

*Youth Council does not meet in the Summer.*

*Maria and the Deacons will be working with Leroy and Terry to build some overarching guidance for the youth to work within.*

*Leroy has set a meeting on August 6 at Anna's for the youth and chaperones from Work Camp and One Bread One Cup.*

*Some council members have noted a higher involvement of youth at church over the past year. The Youth Council should be commended for achieving this.*

- Human Concerns

*No update.*

- Stewardship Council

*Relics*

*Stewardship Council posed these questions to the Finance Council:*

*How was it determined to use 2% as the increase for Giving in the FY18 budget? Ans.-This is consistent with historical trends.*

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*Has e-giving increased as a result of recent outreach efforts?*

*Ans.-No appreciable increase has been noted. There is a need to clarify the fees related to e-giving.*

- Liturgy/Worship

*Accent is still looking for a new leader.*

*The Altar Servers are in need of a new coordinator.*

- Chair Report

*Jane and Loraine went to a Transitions Workshop this week.*

- Old Business

- Youth Updates

- New Business

*Council voted to have Robbie join Maria as a liaison with the Youth.*

*Council voted to have Rob become a liaison to Finance Council. This is in addition to Tom's attendance at the Parish Council.*

- Closing Prayer: Jane

*Hail Mary*

**Next Meeting Date: August 23, 2017**