

February 20th, 2020 Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Opening Prayer at 6:30 pm by Fr. Ray

Attendees: Fr. Ray, Dn. John Malloy, Diane Hepner, Mark Hepner, Linda Mackay, Frank Mackay, Bob Makowski, Kevin Martin, Gabe Tamburino, & Val Peterson. Absent: Nick Matzo

Amend January Minutes to read: *Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County:* \$500.00 donation was approved by Fr. Ray. Many thanks to Fr. Ray for his commitment to Habitat for Humanity. Amended minutes approved by Gabe Tamburino & Linda Mackay

Addition or Deletions to Agenda: Red Cross Blood Drive added to new business. Approved by Gabe Tamburino and Keven Martin

Downriver Vicariate Report: No meeting. Meetings are suspended per AOD.

Finance Council: Bob Makowski reported that the Parish's finances are doing very well. Christmas donations up and salaries down due to the fact we are still looking for a Faith Formation Director. Finance Council discussed donations from parishioners should be weekly donations first, CSA second, and SOM drive third. Weekly donation cover parish expenses, CSA must be met or parish pays the difference. There is no penalty if our goal is not reached for SOM. CSA will take place in July this year due to the SOM drive. Parishioners to receive a letter from the Finance Council concerning finance priorities and will be mentioned in an article in our parish bulletin by mid-March.

Commission Reports:

Christian Service: Mark Hepner reported: **"Soup"er Drive:** Was very generous. We collected 5 bins and 8 bags of canned goods. **Simple Comforts Drive:** Simple Comforts Hygiene Drive to include Mimi's Passion and Taylor Prep Hygiene Drive. The drive will collect items from Feb. 25th to March 4th. Items being collect include: shampoo & conditioners, deodorant, body wash, liquid detergent soap, 4 packs of toilet paper, dish soap & paper. **Collection Bins:** Moved to make room for Nativity scene in the gathering space.

Worship: Kevin Martin reported the Worship Commission met between Masses on Sunday, February 16th. We have 2 new altar servers. **Lent:** Ashes will be distributed at the 9:00 am and 6:00 pm masses on Ash Wednesday. Youth Faith Formation students and their parents are invited to attend the 6:00 pm mass. We will also have a scripture service at noon with distribution of ashes. We will sing the "Holy, Holy, Holy", and "Lamb of God" in Latin during Lent. **RCIA:** Next formal rite is the Rite of Election which will take place the first Sunday of Lent at the Cathedral on March 1st at 2:00 pm. White robes will be purchase for the catechumens. **Intergenerational Prayer Service & Activity:** Will take place on Monday and Tuesday, March 23rd & 24th at 6 pm. Beginning in the church for a prayer service each night and then moving to the social hall for lite supper of soup, bread, and water. Kids and adults will work on various projects together. Students will be dismissed to classrooms following supper and activity. Crock pots too small for the number of students and adults. Discussed using large kettles for soup. Invitations cards for volunteers will be in pews for parishioners to attend and take part in the activities and pray service. **Vicariate Reconciliation:** St Roch to host vicariate reconciliation on Thursday, March 26th at 7:00 pm. **First Communion:** Saturday, May 2nd and 9th at 10 am. May crowning on Sunday, May 10th at 11:30 mass. **Bikers' Mass:** Will take place in May on May 17th or 24th at the 11:30 mass.

Building & Grounds Committee: Father Ray reported: **AOD Facility/Campus audit:** Took place. Passed inspection. Noted that the flat roofs will need work in the future and the cracks in parking lot should be taken care. **Upcoming Projects:** The parking lot is our next big project. Churches lighting needs to be improved. Sconces are obsolete and need to be replaced with brighter lights including our exit lights. Rectory's chimney needs repair. **Insurance Payment Received:** Refund for items lost in basement flood in Social Hall was received.

Old Business:

Emergency Preparedness: To finish project after Easter.

Alpha: On hold at this time.

Unleashing the Gospel: See Missionary Strategic Planning below.

Wee Worship: Will continue into the month of May.

Coffee & Donuts: Schedule for March 29th

Pastoral Council Vacancies: On hold. The Archbishop wants a Leadership Team plus a Pastoral Council.

Open Staff Positions Updates: Fr. Ray will interview candidate for Faith Formation Director in the upcoming week.

MSP Updates: Need to set a date with the MSP Team to review progress of the goals set by MSP team. Archbishop wants both a Leadership Team and a Parish Council. Discussed combining Leadership team with Parish Council.

New Business: Gabe Tamburino to contact Beth at the Red Cross to schedule a Blood Drive.

Next meeting: Thursday April 16th at 6:30 pm

Gabe motioned to close meeting.

Closing prayer by Fr. Ray at 7:35 pm

Recording Secretary, Val Peterson

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