



St. Mary Church, Carlyle, IL
Parish Council Meeting - 6/15/2017
Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Barb Crouse called the meeting to order and Fr. George led the group in prayer.

Roll call: Fr. George Mauck, Barb Crouse, Scott Kauling, Ron Zurliene, Virginia Middendorff, Stacy Holthaus, Cathy Guthrie, Stacy Holthaus, Mike Jansen, and Dale Kampwerth. Absent: Andy Zieren

The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Ron Zurliene, seconded by Mike Jansen. Motion passed.

Administration - Scott Kauling

- Martin Roofing is on the schedule for July.
- Parking lot - Reuter's to begin work this summer.
- Boiler has been ordered and should be in by the end of the week or the beginning of next week. - Old copper gutters/downspouts to be recycled or sold, as able. Randy to address this matter.
- Basement - need to close fresh air intake with brick. Scott to make contacts to complete work.
- Rectory - plans on hold until Finance Committee determines a budget so the committee can prioritize the rehab project. Dale agreed to help Scott with the building plans.
- Fr. reported that the air conditioner above the Sacristy is not working. Ron to follow-up and will contact Randy.

Social/Recreation - Cathy Guthrie

- Committee members Stacy, Mike, and Cathy met in May to discuss the future of St. Mary's basketball. A second meeting was held with Bob and Chris Gustafson who expressed their interest in taking over all the responsibilities of running St. Mary's basketball program as outlined by the parish guidelines. Bob reportedly brings thirty years of sports experience, fundraising, and working with the youth to facilitate individual success. In addition, Bob plans on retiring March 2018 and would like to dedicate his time to St. Mary's.
- The main priorities for Fr. and the council include:
 - (1) keeping accurate financial reports for accountability,
 - (2) that all volunteers MUST adhere to the Diocesan training policy,
 - (3) that all participants get the opportunity to play during the season.
- Guidelines were outlined and submitted by the committee to the council for review.
- The basketball program will be under new leadership and direction starting this 2017-2018 season.

Social Outreach Ministry

- Matthew 25 - inspection scheduled Friday June 16, 2018
- Food bank - food safety training for other agencies that are coming to St. Mary's.

Liturgy - Fr. George

- Did not meet.

Faith Formation

- No new report

Youth Ministry

- No new report

Finance - Ron Zurliene

- Meeting scheduled July 27, 2017

Old Business

- The reception for Fr. George to celebrate his 40th Anniversary was well attended. Fr. was able to send donations including \$7000 directly to the Fr. Teodoro's Diocese, \$1500 to the Ministerial Alliance, and \$1500 to Matthew 25. Fr. was overwhelmed and very appreciative of the outpouring of generosity from all. Thank you!
- Personnel committee has hired Lynn Ripperda as the new Parish Secretary. She will begin working with Tina to transition into her new position.

NOTE: After the council meeting, Ms. Ripperda notified Fr. that she had to withdraw from the position for personal reasons. Therefore, the job was offered to Kristi Aubuchon, who accepted and will start working with Tina beginning in July. Welcome, Kristi!

New Business

- A reception to celebrate Tina's 38 years of service to the parish is being planned for July 30, 2017, at 11:00 am in the Parish Center. Thank you for your years of service, Tina!
- The Parish picnic is being planned for September 17, 2017. Volunteers are welcome, and donations are needed for this event. Mark your calendars!

Pastoral Comments

- Fr. presented "Focus on 5 Key Areas that Matter!":
 - (1) **Sunday Matters** - Selection and formation of liturgical ministers, Joyful and reverent celebration, Attention to preaching, Powerful music, and Powerful music and sacred symbols.
 - (2) **Welcome Matters** - A warm welcome to visitors, A clean and pleasant parish environment, and Hospitality on holy days and at sacramental celebrations.
 - (3) **Belonging Matters** - Responding graciously to requests and offers to help, Tapping into parishioners' gifts, Offering parish-based small groups, and Engaging parishioners as partners.
 - (4) **Witness Matters** - Offering personal witness when preaching, Helping people share their faith stories, Praying at parish events and meetings and Spreading the parish's message in the community.
 - (5) **Mission Matters** - A keen observation of needs in the community and world, Undertaking charitable works and acts of justice, and A focus that permeates parish life.
- Learn more at a free webinar. Sign up at bemywitness.org/explore.

The next parish meeting will be August 8, 2017, at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Middendorff, Parish Council Secretary