



**St. John the Evangelist
Parish Pastoral Council
Minutes for February 9th, 2015**
Quorum-two-thirds of the Parish Council were present

Members Present

Susanna Tomlinson- President and Samaritan
Mark Krepich- Vice President and Liturgy
Debbie Ergler- Secretary and School
Vanessa Donoughe- Religious Education
Heather Yasolsky- Discipleship
Bill Stokan-Finance
Heather Nackley- Family Life
Ann Brown- Youth Group
Paul Dennis- Social
Diane Turcovsky- Finance
Msgr. Mike Becker
Mary Petrak
Tabitha Griffin

Members Absent

Ed Ergler- Maintenance
Paul Davis- Haiti Committee

Deacon Gene

Susanna opened the meeting with prayer.

Motion to approve minutes as corrected by Mark K and 2nd by Paul D

New Business:

- **Elections:** Parish Council will need four new members this year to replace, Susanna, Paul, Bill and Ann. Mark will serve two additional years as President. Susanna is asking council members to supply 6 or 7 names to Msgr. Becker by April 30th.

Old Business:

- Msgr would like to plan a Mass for all graduating seniors in grade, high school and college on May 24. Vanessa offered to help Msgr. to plan this event.
- Staff: Ken is out on leave of absence due to health, new person ,Tim Goodfellow, will begin and assist with outdoor work in summer.
- ALPHA program is still in planning stages and will be ready for fall 2015

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Education- Religious Education:** Religious Ed.: Mary Petrak reported one of her goals was to reach out to families. Mary will plan family event for Lent for two age groups March 1 and March 8. Mary is always looking for service hours or projects for the children to do. Mary hopes to uses Facebook as a media to reach out to families in the future.
- Education- Tabitha shared that school number are good. Father reported that all schools in diocese will stay the same for next year. 7 and 8 grades are learning Chinese and Spanish. Future BG students can continue the study of Chinese and Spanish. Art teacher intern is doing a great job. Catholic Schools week, students honored Jim Campbell.

- Family Life – Heather reported next September 2015 is family conference in Philadelphia that Pope Francis will attend. Diocese Web site has information for group and individual travel.
- Finance – Meeting scheduled for Feb 23.
- Haiti – Paul sent a report Soup supper is scheduled for Ash Wednesday. Paul will give a presentation to CCD Class and committee is still looking for fundraiser idea to support our commitment of \$5000 per quarter. Matt Stachmus and Mary Lee joined Shawn Orczeck at Lutheran Church in Martinsburg for a presentation on Haiti and received a donation of \$250.
- Liturgy –Mark reported committee suggested moving Penance Service to Sunday Afternoon to accommodate more people. Penance Service will be March 2. We have 6 people in our class to enter the church at Easter. 2 people are Catholic and will just receive Confirmation. There is a possible 7th person who has expressed interest.
- Maintenance – Diane shared that there is a list of repairs that need done and she will try to locate the list and send it out to Msgr and Ed E.
- Social – Paul reported next event is Mardi Gras on February 19. There is room for 100 and the new tables and chairs will be used. All the donors for tables and chairs were paid. Msgr 40th Anniversary is May 3rd. Cora and Barb are working on plans for the celebrations. The event will be held at Casino and all parishioners are invited.
- Discipleship- Heather has one person for Financial Peace workshop and website is in place.
- Youth- Ann reported on LOCK IN and need for 4 or more volunteers. By July 1st all volunteers who work with children must have Protecting Gods Children and State clearances.
- Samaritan- Susanna reported: January 2015
Next Love Feast will be February 21, 2015.
Total balance is accounts: Savings at \$20.87 and Checking at \$11.10. February Second Sunday is \$501.00 to add to checking account. We will work with a St John's Student on medical issue and set aside \$500 for a co-pay.
- Adult Ed- Msgr is offering 12 Spirituality Class nest for Adult Ed and will offer a bible study on Wednesday Evening on Gospel of Mark. Six lent groups are formed to discuss meditation of Henri Nouwen, *From Fear to Love*.
Lenten Pilgrimage is scheduled for DC March 21.

Adjourn at 8:15

The next Parish Council meeting March 9th was cancelled. We will meet **April 13th** 7:00pm in the Church Gathering space. If you can't make it please call the office or e-mail Susanna at smt01@atlanticbb.net

Submitted by Debbie and Susanna