



# St. John the Evangelist Parish Pastoral Council Minutes for March 10, 2014

*Quorum-two-thirds of the Parish Council were present*

## **Members Present**

Susanna Tomlinson- President and Samaritan  
Mark Krepich- Liturgy  
Karen Monghemer- Finance  
Dorothy Yingling- Family Life  
Heather Yasolsky- Discipleship  
Debbie Ergler- Secretary and School  
Ann Brown- Youth Group  
Jerry Rentz- Haiti  
Paul Dennis- Social  
Vanessa Donoughe- Religious Education  
Tabatha Griffin  
Deacon Gene  
Msgr. Mike Becker

## **Members Absent**

Bill Stokan-Finance  
Ed Ergler- Maintenance

Susanna opened the meeting with prayer.

Motion to approve corrected minutes as presented by Mark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul

## **New Business:**

- We will replace three council members on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Council members were asked to think about new members for Haiti, Finance, and Family Life committees. New members will be chosen on June 8<sup>th</sup>, Pentecost Sunday.

## **Old Business:**

Msgr. gave an update from Our Sunday Visitor's program: *Grateful Giving, Joyful Living*

- New Bookkeeper continues to clarify the offertory commitments. Since we are at 6 months, we will send out reminder letter in Lent on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Msgr will have a report from Heather for our next meeting.
- Heather and Mark are researching different options for giving on line. Mark reported that ARC Credit Union does not do transfer. Where ever we bank we have to have transfer done through M&T. St John's has to agree to have electric transfer for online sent with M&T. Heather will ask accountant Heather to check on possible charges.
- Susanna will ask Jason to speak about RCIA in March. Heather will talk to Steve at school to do a presentation about Script with some of the students. Heather and Tabatha shared that we need to pre buy enough script so that people do not have to wait. Msgr suggested we borrow money from the church to adjust the pre order amount needed to keep up with supply and demand.
- Renaming the Day Chapel to Pope John XXIII Chapel will take place in spring of 2014.
- Monsignor talked to Rick Karcher and he will draw up plans that will be taken to the Bishop's Commission for approval for moving the Tabernacle to the front of the church and making the Reservation Chapel a new space for the confessional. The current confessional room would then become a closet and perhaps we can put in a sink. Msgr. and Mark K will talk Dustin Miller, who

laid the floor under the main altar. The floor under the Tabernacle will match the altar and lighting will be discussed.

- **Church Art project:** Msgr spoke with Allan Capriotti and those who help him with display. Each art piece can be supported by an offering from a parishioner of \$1,500. The money will be divided for art supplies, framing and a stipend for Allen. Parishioners will be recognized on a plaque that will be hung in the church. Allen's next piece will be a work from the end of the gospel and begin the process of work on the other side. The project will surround the upper tier of the church.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Education- Religious Ed** – March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Deacon Gene will do a second grade retreat and do the Stations of the Cross. March 15<sup>th</sup>, Msgr will offer a tour of the Church. Vanessa shared that the Confirmation Class will meet in two weeks. Ann suggested that the children should have an opportunity to have a say in what they want
- **School-** Tabatha confirmed that St. Mary's will close and schools will need to combine. ACCS 5 grade will go to St Therese; 6-8 will go to St. Rose. In the future St John's could be Pre K and K only. School must be able to support itself. We currently have the largest population (115) since 1950's. The committee will not only work on the finance needs but also need for evangelism and how to engage the Catholic families to become more involved and bring their children to mass. **Msgr. and Tabatha shared how other schools have created large endowments that offer fiscal support each year. St John's needs to look into a 3 year campaign that could provide a large endowment also. Tuition will be increased next few years gradually, everyone will pay their fair share.**
- **Discipleship-** Heather gave an explanation about Script on line. A suggestion for a survey on: What would make it easier for you to use script? Heather is also working with Barb Bundy to get the word out about Matthew Kelly coming to our area in September.
- **Family Life** – Dorothy Yingling shared Discovery of Our Church will be held on Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> after 4:00 PM Mass. New Parishioners Dinner on Sunday March 30. Lenten Small Groups are being formed and will use "The Joy of The Gospel", by Pope Francis. New projects: Give a gift to all the newly Baptized. New Parrish hand book will be revised
- **Finance** – No Report
- **Haiti** – Jerry Rentz reported that the soup supper on Ash Wednesday gave us \$744 for Haiti. Mary Lee and Fr Banive continue to keep in contact. Mary Lee will continue to update the parish with news for the bulletin. Mary Lee would like to visit Haiti in the spring, however we may need to wait until later as ticket fare has increased substantially. Tim Rae is working with the students at St. John's on a water project. Tim may be a good nomination for Council.
- **Liturgy** – Mark reported on Lent activities.
- **Maintenance** –No report
- **Social** – Mardi Gras was successful. Father shared some ideas for future Parish trips throughout the year and will ask the Social committee to help with the planning.
- **Youth-** Lock in was a success. Stephanie needed additional chaperones when 7 and 8 grades were included.

- **Samaritan-** Susanna reported:  
 Next 2014 Love Feast will be May 24<sup>th</sup>,2014.  
**St John's Charity Fund:** Food collections from March netted over 80 bags taken to Salvation Army. Susanna learned that their check was returned to us because they are now only receiving mail through a post office box. Susanna will resend the check.

**Treasurer's Report:**

	<b>Checking</b>	<b>\$1,774.55</b>
<b>Expenses in February</b>		
Catholic Charities	\$1000.00	
Family Services Homeless Shelter	\$200.00	Walmart Card
Additional check added from Feb	\$300.00	
March 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	\$388.00	
Balance in Checking	\$1,074.55	
Savings		\$320.78
<b>Total Ckg/Sav</b>	<b>\$1,783.33</b>	

- **Adult Education-** Msgr Becker Robert Barron sessions are going well. Bus Trip is full we may need two buses. Msgr suggested a resource, Now You Know Media.com for good CD's and DVD's. Paul requested that the speakers in the cafeteria be fixed. Tabatha and Msgr will follow up.

Motion to adjourn by Karen and seconded by Ann.

The next Parish Council meeting will be **April 14th, 7:00pm in the Church Gathering space. If you can't make it please call the office.**

Submitted by Secretary Debbie Ergler and Susanna