

St. Christopher Catholic Church

Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2018

1 Call to Order

- 1.1 Margaret Bauer, Chairperson, called to order the Meeting of the St. Christopher Pastoral Council at 7:00 pm EDT on September 20, 2018 in the Bethany Room.
- 1.2 The following were present: Margaret Bauer, David Ciechanowicz, Mike Clouse, Jim Csenar, Tom Edwards, Jim McMechan, Fr. Jude Meril, Vicki Murphy, Mary Ann O'Neal, Pat Tutsie and Betsy Weddle.
- 1.3 Not present: Fr. Paul Shikany.

2 Opening Prayer

- 2.1 Mary Ann O'Neal led the group in an opening prayer, with a reading from the book, "God has a Plan B."

3 Prayer Volunteer for Next Meeting

- 3.1 Mike Clouse volunteered to lead the opening and closing prayers in October.

4 Acceptance of Minutes

- 4.1 Tom Edwards distributed a copy of the June meeting minutes. Jim McMechan noted that he was not present and did not provide the Financial Report [the June minutes have since been edited and noted as Approved]. Pat Tutsie motioned to approve the June minutes with the change noted above; Mike Clouse seconded.
 - 4.1.1 YEA: 10
 - 4.1.2 NAY: 0
 - 4.1.3 ABSTAIN: 0
 - 4.1.4 NOT PRESENT: 1
 - 4.1.5 RESULT: APPROVED

5 Staff/Ministry Reports

- 5.1 Pastors' Report
 - 5.1.1 Fr. Paul Shikany
 - 5.1.1.1 None – on vacation.
- 5.2 Associate Pastor's Report
 - 5.2.1 Fr. Jude Meril
 - 5.2.1.1 Fr. Richard, from Kenya, was our guest Missionary last weekend. He expressed the need for laptops, and parishioners were immediately generous with donations.
 - 5.2.1.2 Still getting to know the parishioners, diocese and other parishes. He has performed a couple funerals.
 - 5.2.1.3 Fr. Jude welcomes any feedback from the parish so he can continuously improve and adapt. Council members noted that his interaction with the children at mass has been very

welcomed.

5.2.1.4 Everyone in the meeting introduced themselves to Fr. Jude and provided some background.

5.3 Financial Report

5.3.1 Jim McMechan

5.3.1.1 As of 9/16/2018 YTD collections are \$283,376 for the fiscal year, which began July 1. This is compared to \$298,632 this time last year.

5.3.1.2 Lag in giving is attributed to the technical issues with the online donation system.

5.3.1.3 Festival profits were significantly up this year, and those funds contribute to the operating budget.

6 Old Business

6.1 None

7 New Business

7.1 Ministry Open House is next weekend. Need volunteers to staff the Council table.

7.2 Committee Preference Sheets are due today. Members asked to submit to Margaret via e-mail after meeting if not already submitted.

7.2.1 Margaret reviewed the descriptions of each Committee.

7.3 Constitution was reviewed and committee elected to keep it as is in 2018. New committee will review in 2019.

7.4 Members asked to review the "State of the Parish" document prior to next meeting.

7.5 At August 16, 2018 "Joint Session" meeting of Parish Council and Finance Committee, the Master Plan Committee presented the renderings and budget for the plan, and requested permission to present the documents and plan to the Archdiocese and then to the Parish on the weekend of September 29/30. The request was unanimously approved.

8 Announcements

8.1 Mike Clouse announced that he, Karen King, Joe Stevens and Steve Quinnette will be attending School Safety Training.

9 Closing Prayer

9.1 Mary Ann O'Neal led the group in a closing prayer.

10 Adjournment

10.1 Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm EDT

11 Next Meeting: October 18, 2018 @ 7:00 pm EDT

Prepared By: Tom Edwards

Approved On: 10/18/2018

Chairperson: X *Margaret E Bauer*

APPROVED