

## ST. MARTIN'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2018 7 p.m., Cafeteria

**Members Present:** Fr. Hopper, Glenn Redmon (PC Chair), Amy Peters, Sandy Snyder, Kendra Vowels, Todd Lancaster, Mark Hubbard

**Others Present:** Regina Bennet, Gloria Ritter, Sarah Straney, April Hobbs, Lauren Caster, Brandi Lusk, Roselle Muse, Jerry Lancaster, Rhonda Thompson, Elaine Vowels, Tracy Huffines, Mary Pike, Joe Sipes, Ann Sipes, Becky Mote (Secretary)

**Opening:** Fr. Hopper opened the meeting with prayer

**Review of Minutes:** Minutes from Feb. 21 had been approved by email prior to meeting. Roselle pointed out that Worship report had been omitted. Minutes will now be emailed to all committee chairs.

**Open Session:** No visitors present

**Closed Session: Staff Reports**

**Formation:** See attachment #1

**Maintenance:** See attachment #2. Glenn reported he had checked into filling hole behind Rectory left by removal of huge tree. Cost prohibitive at this time, continue with present weed-eating for now.

**Worship:** See attachment #3

### **Committee Reports:**

**Picnic/Fish Fry:** The fish fries during Lent made \$20,237.61, up from last year even though last year included 3 more fish fries. Picnic planning is on schedule and continuing.

**Youth Ministry:** Preparations for Senior Mass continue. Two scholarships have been awarded and will be announced by Fr. Hopper at Senior Mass. Fr. Hopper has ordered Life Teen curriculum for YM with the cost shared by St. Christopher. Youth Ministry will help with VBS. We have obtained a license to have movie nights, still determining when to start. License is good for whole Parish if other groups interested in hosting a night. Looking into possible having food trucks for any such event.

**Service/Bereavement:** No funerals since last meeting. Elaine enquired about possible having system installed to heat cafeteria only, as opposed to current system which requires entire building to be heated if event planned in cafeteria during cold weather. No decision made.

**Cemetery:** Intend to put up rock wall around fountain. Otherwise normal activity continues, still waiting on software for charting gravesites.

**Playground:** No report. Fr. Hopper asked about mitigating mud under swings. Brandi replied there are swing mats available, Lauren suggested using horse mats, same material but cheaper. Brandi to investigate.

**Archives:** The Archives are scheduled to be moved from the St Martin Center into an RCIA classroom May 12, with alternate date May 19, to allow for repairs to building. Tracy Huffines and Archive committee presented a formal request to assure that they be allowed to return the Archives to the St. Martin Center once repairs are made. They also suggested a fundraiser to help offset the costs of repairs: a Fall Concert at the gymnasium, with the Monarchs headlining. Fr. Hopper approved the idea, the Archives committee will determine a date and spearhead committee.

**Scouts:** No report

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Glenn reported that Parish Policies were outdated and he intended to update them. Fr. Hopper reminded him that any changes must be in line with Archdiocesan policy. Glenn asked Fr. Hopper about next year's budget and Fr. Hopper assured him that now that tax season was over, he and Alton Pike will be meeting.

**Pastor's Remarks/Next meeting date:** Fr. Hopper expressed his enjoyment with his role as Pastor and his pleasure with how well Holy Week went. He also extended his thanks to all those who helped with Holy Week.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

**Closing Prayer:** Fr. Hopper led us in an Our Father and Glory Be to the Father.

**Adjournment:** Kendra moved to adjourn, Todd seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Becky Mote

## Formation Committee Report April 18, 2018

The Parish Mission with Joe Farris has been rescheduled for November 2018 due to unforeseen circumstances with his family

The second graders that received their Sacrament of Holy Communion will participate with the May procession on the first Sunday of May.

Children's Church on Sunday mornings will meet through the end of April. The catechists ask to not have Children's Church past April. They would like time off.

A meeting is scheduled for April 25, 6PM, to plan Vacation Bible School; possibly having it in a different month and time. Catechists have already volunteered to be in charge of certain areas of the VBS such as crafts, scripture, music, large group activities prayer, etc.

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#### Maintenance Report

Foundation issues on the St Martin Center, Rectory and Gym are being addressed. Champion Waterproofing came out last week, hasn't emailed me back on prices yet. Have another company coming out on Thursday (tomorrow). If we have to do in phases the Gym will be priority due to damage that is doing to the gym floors, second will be St. Martin Center then Rectory.

Fixing the foundation is just part of the issue. We will need to repair walls in the Archives. There will be painting and possibly new carpet. The gym, if it is repaired from inside, they will be cutting along the edge of walls to dig down to the foundation which is going to require repair of the floor.

Have discussed with Todd Lancaster if we pour concrete at gym for sidewalks if possible to do in front of Church and at pavilion. The steps on side next to playground are in bad shape.

We are still working on getting cabinets and tile put in Father's Sacristy, checking into this more tomorrow

Contacted Brad Harruff on Tuesday on status of insurance on roofs of St Martin Center. He said it is looking like we are going to get some money, don't know how much yet. Checked on insurance on gym floor damage and the Archives flooding, no money there due to foundation insurance does not cover it

We got a new used mower for Cemetery with bagger, does a nice clean job.

Would like to see if the Council would consider getting a committee together to do a book something like the cook book but with people's memories of events that have touched them throughout the years. If we don't get the memories down, they will be lost with the older generation passing on. Maybe we could do a Vol 1 & 2 according as how much participation.

Concerning church steeple, Renee is trying to get with Gail from St Thomas in Bardstown to find out the business that fixed their steeple.

## Parish Council Meeting – April 18, 2018

### **Worship Committee Report**

The worship committee report was not included in the last meeting's minutes. I need to find out who is supposed to send me the minutes.

Our last worship meeting was on February 26, 2018.

Members present were: Fr. Hopper, Deacon Joe Calvert, Tim Curran, Bill Hobbs, Debbie Foushee, Anita Seymour and Roselle Muse

Lenten Mission – Our Lenten Parish Mission was cancelled due to an illness in Joe Farris' (guest speaker) family. The plans are to reschedule at a later date.

Holy Hours and Reconciliation – For now, we have decided to discontinue the First Saturday Devotion Holy Hours. We completed all the mysteries of the Rosary. We have decided to focus on the Reconciliation services on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. Along with confessions, Adoration will begin at 6:00 pm and continue until Benediction at 8:00 pm.

We discussed soundproofing the confessional because voices are being heard through the walls. Fr. Hopper was going to discuss this with Rhonda. To help, we have some music playing and have started reserving the last 5 pews on each side to keep people from sitting too close to the confessional.

Deacon Joe would like to begin having different groups to lead a Rosary or meditation during the Adoration, such as the men's group, women's group, youth, altar servers...etc. The church has purchased CD's of the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy to also be used at times during adoration.

Palm Sunday – The committee discussed the Palm Sunday weekend liturgies. A procession is to be done from the new pavilion by the rectory, weather permitting. The altar servers are to ring bells in the procession.

Good Friday – Deacon Joe will be having Stations of the Cross at 3:00 pm in the church.

Easter Vigil – Easter Vigil and Easter Morning Liturgies will be held in the gym. Tim Curran agreed to get someone to prepare the fire before the Vigil begins. The fire pit will be under the pavilion by the rectory. The procession will start at the fire and process to the front of the gym.

The lights in the gym are of until the Gloria.

Deacon Joe will chant the Exsultet.

Gloria – The lights are turned on.

Altar servers ring the bells during the Gloria. The church bells will also be rung during the Gloria.

We will begin using the Mass of Spirit and Grace Gloria (Manalo) at the Easter liturgies.

The cup (Blood of Christ), after not having during Lent, will be back.

The Sign of Peace is back.

The “Holy, Holy” and “Lamb of God” will now be sung in English instead of “Sanctus” and “Agnus Dei”.

More congregational candles will be ordered with drip cups to catch the wax.

Easter Sunday – Will need extra Communion Ministers.

Baptismal Promises renewed

Sprinkling Rite

Missalettes and Music Issue Books – 150 extra missalettes and music issue books along with the blue covers have been ordered. The “Gather” hymnals will be removed from the pew racks in the church since they are no longer being used. St. James School was called to offer the Gather books for their school liturgies. They were very happy and thankful to be getting the books.

All Day Adoration – Fr. Hopper is planning to have Adoration in the church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, the same day he has confessions. As of now, he is looking at starting on May 10<sup>th</sup>. If there is good support of this, he will extend it to the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday as well. It will begin after the 8:00 am mass and will continue until Benediction at 8:00.

Next worship meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 30, 2018.