

## OCTOBER 2016 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Attended:** Katie Amann, Dianne Beisheim, Bill Clare, Kathy Franca, Fr. Bob Gaudio, Rich Hailstone, Georgeanne Hogan, Dino Pezzamenti, Donna Post, John Simmons, Deb Smarsh, Ron Torcello, and Jim Ziobro **Guests:** Kim Winden, Lori Murtaugh

1. Evening Prayer
2. September Minutes approved
3. Future of Our Church
  - Watched the Monroe West Deanery video
    - interacting with other parishes; areas to work together developing relationships
    - where do we stand
    - challenges addressing our deanery
    - this change will be in place for about 3-5 years before major changes will be made
    - how will leadership work at that time
  - Consists of the following Churches: St. Lawrence, St. Mark, St. Leo, St. John's Spencerport, Nativity, Newman Center, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Christopher, St. Mary of the Assumption, St. Vincent DePaul, Marianne Cope, St. Columba/St. Patrick
  - The office focuses on five key areas when working with parishes and deaneries:
    - 1) Participation in Sacraments
    - 2) Ministerial responsibilities, including responsibilities beyond the parish
    - 3) Shifts in available ordained and lay personnel
    - 4) Fiscal responsibilities
    - 5) Impending infrastructure needs
  - Next meeting will be 11/29-parishes will bring back reactions from councils on the video and what is seen as hopeful. Katie Amann will represent St. Christopher's.
  - Observations:
    - Priests/Parishioners getting older
    - waiting to have children (fewer children)
    - video format was difficult to see/read
    - how do we grow and nurture leadership-what kind of training programs are in place
    - Sacraments-suggested there should be a program used by all parishes
    - Surprised to hear the marriage prep was being done online
4. CMA 2016
  - This year's goal is approximately \$60,000
  - So far this year 103 people have given \$18,00

5. Committee Reports:

- A. **Building and Grounds**-Deacon Dave-Report attached
- B. **Family Life**-Kim La Vigueur
  - Winter Bash Dinner being held on 1/15 (\$100/person, \$150/couple)
  - invitations going out next month
- C. **Finance**-Kathy Ostenberg
- D. **Human Services**-Deacon Dave-report attached
- E. **Liturgy Committee**-Mary Lionetti
  - 11/12 Mass of Remembrance
  - Starting in early December there will be an introduction to John the Baptist
  - 10/22 Spooktacular Event for Halloween
  - Advent theme: Preparing for the Coming of Christ
  - 12/13 Finding God and What is Good in Life
  - 12/19 Penance Service
- F. **Eucharist Ministry**-Kathy Hauck
- G. **Music Ministry**-Celeste Dynski
  - 12/4 Taize Prayer Service

6. Parish Council Business

- Continued Discussion from September meeting:
  - Council members reading the announcements at Mass-looking into
  - New Parishioners welcome process-reaching out, introducing them to others
  - Installing antenna for TV reception-John researching feasibility

Next Meeting: November 15th at 6:30 pm in the Religious Education Center

Respectfully submitted by  
Donna Post

## Changes Here at St. Christopher's

You may have noticed that over the last several months there has been significant work being done on the property here at St. Christopher's. I would like to bring before what has been done and what we are looking forward to accomplish in the near future.

- 1) Parish Parking Lot has been sealed and the lines and handicapped markings repainted –  
*The money for this project was raised by Grandma's Attic this summer.*
  
- 2) In the Religious Ed Center there has been extensive work
  - All the class rooms and hall ways and stair ways have been repaired and repainted through the religious education building.
  - The entrance way and brown door on the basement were repaired.
  - 7 windows were replaced and the frames around it were repainted  
*These were addressed by generous donation from the Estate of Chris McCabe.*
  
3. The large white parish garage has been repaired and repainted  
*This was an Eagle Award project done by Joey Paris.*
  
4. A large number of Ash trees surrounding our property were removed.
  - All bushes around the church have been trimmed back so that we could get behind them to paint the Church.
  - Repainting the lower half of the church and the metal covering on the north side of the church  
*This was addressed by Deacon Dave and building and grounds committee*
  
5. There is on-going work on the boiler and air conditioner  
*This is done by Deacon Dave and Dave Nasradinaj of Power Plus Company.*
  
6. Sr. Carol's garden and other gardens on the parish property  
*Variety of volunteers that help weed and plant.*

Future Concerns (this is always an on-going list - just to name a few)

1. Flat part of the lower roof needs addressing.
2. High glass dome above the altar – has a crack on it.
3. Inside north wall in the down stairs meeting room needs repairing.
4. Rugs in both church and religious building need cleaning.

B&G mtg. sept. 27/16 minutes

Attendees- Kevin Wezelis, Dino Pezzimenti, Ben Piatek, Hank Piatek, Bill Pakulski, Joe Kessler, Paul May, John VanderLinden, deacon Dave

### **1 updates on recent vendor work-**

Parking lot- we noticed some missing lines- no parking areas not indicated,  
Window replacement parish hall- we think the bidding process can use some improvement. The 3 bids were not for same work- # of windows varied so can't compare well. Perhaps our committee needs to be involved in process- accompanying bidders, allowing access to buildings? Deacon Dave to ask Fr Bob about this

### **2 Volunteer works-**

Church handrail painting- John VanderLinden-.  
deacon Dave- Painted sheet metal, lampposts, church roof patching along lower edge, eave repaired and vented, Power washed stucco- NW handicap exit- capped privacy wall, painted plywood floor- non skid paint  
Plan on painting stucco (lower areas not 2<sup>nd</sup> floor) and overhangs this fall- Dave and john and other volunteers  
Tree removal- scheduled for Oct 15

### **3 Ideas from the group- needs/wants**

Roof report- Hank/Ben Piatek- inspection was done by pro roofer. Written report forthcoming but highlights: Skylight is crazed and should be replaced. Many patches- roof is old. Flat roof over area between hall and church is in worst shape- standing water, drain inadequate, signs of water penetration of sheathing. This roof is 1<sup>st</sup> priority. Parish hall roof ok.

Discussed idea to turn some of the acres into a forever wild to reduce mowing and drop the remaining trees into the forever wild area to let them rot and return to nature. Suggested that Fr Bob is against this idea

Discussed idea to do work for parishioners. Felt we have enough work on campus already.  
Discussed idea to Ask for donations of tools for campus- yes- Dave to create bulletin  
Discussed idea to seal wall north side to keep water out of basement- dave to purchase tar

**4 fall Checklists-** we Formed (3) 2 man teams, 1 for each bldg. handouts- inspection checklists to be finished by Next mtg. discussion of how poor these forms are, and so we may edit them to suit our needs/situation. Dave to send soft copies of these excel docs out.  
Inspection teams- rectory- Joe and Hank; church- Bill and Kevin; Hall- Paul and john

Next mtg 12/ 27- tentative date

Human Services Committee minutes 10/6/16 meeting @ 6:30

Attendees: Shaun O'Brien, Joan Reilly, Janet Sheflin, Deacon Dave, Lynne Welch

**clothing drive-** oct 8-13

announcement- signup sheet empty so far- Dave to get some young helpers

staffing- Joan- every night; Janet- tues-thurs; Lynn- tues.; Dave- mon.

delivery- Janet to Brockport migrants- , the Carlettas- Mary's Place refugees, and Aaron- Women's Care center on Lake Ave.

**House of mercy-** we would like to have a monetary collection towards their capital campaign sometime before yearend- at Christmas- **tree of lights-** Joan to ask Sue Helton if she will again help

**Thanksgiving food collection-** to benefit F2F again this year

Report on project URGE meeting of 9/17- the theme of *coalition building and collaborative problem solving*. Presented by nonprofit SKEO solutions and hosted by Pillar church. Many good ideas presented from various groups. Poverty being main topic. Expect further meetings. Perhaps one of the pastors who presented could speak to our parish at some point- perhaps during lent?

Next meeting 11/3

Minutes by Deacon Dave