

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

March 20, 2018

We had an abbreviated meeting tonight.

Present were Ron Torcello, Deb Smarsh, John Simmons, Fr. Bob, Katie Amann, Rich Hailstone, Bill Clare, Deacon Dave, Mary May, Georgeanne Hogan, Dianne Beisheim, Anne Camp, Jim Ziobro, and Maureen Emerson. David Cross and Kathy Franca were excused.

1. We opened with the Liturgy of the Hours.
2. Diocesan Updates: Our collections for the Catholic Ministries Appeal are at 81% of our goal.
3. Committee Reports:
 - a. Finance: Fr. Bob said some people have asked why our recent financial report included a line for a school assessment. We are obligated to contribute to a diocesan-wide fund for the support of Catholic schools.
 - b. Human Services: Deacon Dave told us that the response to the appeal for medical supplies for Haiti was generous with more than several suitcases full of supplies.
 - c. Liturgy/Music: Father reported that the Healing of Memories service was well attended and generously received.

4. Parish Council Business

The issue was raised of what we should do in the case of a terrorist attack at Sunday Mass. The first thing to consider is to avoid panic. It was suggested that the presider, facing the back of the church, would be the mostly likely to spot trouble first and would blow out a candle. This would be a signal to someone (the sacristan?) to call 911.

We closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted

Mary May

