

Unapproved Minutes of November 20, 2018

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES for Tuesday, November 20, 2018**

Members Present: Fr. Jon, Donna Burnett, Jessica Hillard, Larry Leyrer, Theresa Pollard, Dcn. Bryan Root, Virginia Palinsky, Bill Stroup, Gloria Davis, Angela Campbell, Rocky LaRock

Members Absent: Regina Sharpe, Carol Lawrence

Meeting opened at 7:25 p.m. with a prayer.

Minutes from Tuesday, September 18, 2018 were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Community Thanksgiving Service: The annual Montrose Community Thanksgiving Service was held at Good Shepherd on Sunday, November 18. Due to scheduling conflicts, a lot of the area pastors were not in attendance. A collection was taken up to help Montrose families faced with a consumer shut-off notice. Approximately \$800.00 was collected.
- 2) Annual Missionary Appeal: The council discussed having a second missionary appeal for the Mission Diocese of Trivandrum, India. It was Fr. Gordon's wishes that we take up another collection for the villages before the Christmas season. The council agreed to have a second collection the weekend of December 1 and 2.
- 3) Welcome Retreat: Dcn. Bryan reported on the Welcome Retreat that was held at St. Robert's parish on October 13 and 14. There were 22 men that participated, 6 from Good Shepherd. The retreat is aimed at getting to know people in your parish and building up the parish community. There will be another retreat for the men the first weekend in May, and a retreat for women, the end of April 2019.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Montrose Candle Walk: The Montrose candle walk will be held on Saturday, December 1 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. There will be a parade and a live nativity.
- 2) Fr. Jonathan Perrotta: The council welcomed and accepted the appointment of Rev. Jonathan Perrotta as the new pastor of Good Shepherd Church effective 11/15/2018.

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

- 1) Knights of Columbus (Dcn. Bryan Root)
  - a. Tom Bigelow has taken the position of the new Grand Knight.
  - b. The Fish Fry's continue to be doing well.
  - c. The Split Wood For Life fund raiser has been selling a lot of fire wood. All proceeds go to fund pro-life projects.
  - d. The Knights have "Keep Christ in Christmas" Christmas cards and yard signs for sale.
  - e. The next Corporate Communion will be on Sunday, December 30.

**COMMISSIONS**

- 1) Finance (Virginia Palinsky)
  - a. We are 21 weeks in the new fiscal year and our Sunday & Holy Day contributions are approximately \$5700.00 over our budgeted goal. The next Finance Council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 27.
- 2) Christian Service (Theresa Pollard)
  - a. The Book Club finished their last meeting on Monday, November 12.
  - b. Christian Service will be sponsoring five families for Christmas this year. The Giving Tree with tags will be up by December 1. All gifts and tags need to be returned by Sunday, December 16.
- 3) Worship (Donna Burnett)
  - a. No Report.

4) Social Media (Carol Lawrence)

- a. Carol has posted the Breakfast with Santa information, the Ladies Advent Service, Thanksgiving Day Mass and Giving Tree information.
- b. Fr. Jonathan's information is posted to the Staff Page and the Youth Group Events have been updated. After Thanksgiving, Carol will be posting an icon for Advent Resources.
- c. On the parishApp the background theme will be changed to Advent along with adding an Advent button with content to help celebrate the season.
- d. Instagram has 54 followers, and 66 following our posts. On Facebook there are 228 following our page.

**BINGO** (Gloria Davis)

- a. An Appreciation Dinner was held on Monday, November 5. Approximately 40 people were in attendance.
- b. There are approximately 75 more players playing bingo this quarter compared to this same time last year.
- c. This past quarter the bingo paid \$6,000.00 toward the building loan payment.

**Youth Group** (Jessica Hillard)

- 1) The Youth Group has been averaging between 7-13 teens at their meetings.
- 2) Fr. Gordon came and gave a talk on "Defense Against the Dark Arts".
- 3) Thank you to the Knights for donating money for the food for the Breakfast with Santa event. The Youth group will be sponsoring 9 children for Christmas with the proceeds from the breakfast.
- 4) The FanCloth Fundraiser is completed. The Youth Group will sponsor the Middle School Valentine Dance in February.
- 5) The Youth Group, along with the Knights, will work the North End Soup Kitchen on a Saturday in January.

**DRE** (Regina Sharpe)

- 1) All Atria's are up and running.
- 2) Families are signing up to light the Advent Candle at the beginning of masses during Advent.
- 3) There will be training on December 4 in Lansing, or January 17 at St. Mary, Swartz Creek, for Catechists willing to train for the replacement of the Safe Sheep program.
- 4) Regina would like to have a Christmas recognition dinner for the Catechists, possibly December 20 or 21.
- 5) There are three adults training for Level I CGS and Regina will be training for Level III beginning in June 2019.

**Member-at-large** (Angela Campbell, Larry Leyrer, Rocky LaRock)

- 1) No Report

**Fr. Jon**

- 1) Fr. Jon talked with the council members about his goals and how he would like to get to know everyone in the parish and continue to build up the community at Good Shepherd.
- 2) Fr. Jon invited the council member to ask him questions.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kaczmarczyk  
Secretary