

Minutes
ST. JOSEPH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, 01/23/18

RECTORY MEETING ROOM – 7:30 PM

7:30 PM – OPENING PRAYER

Dear St. Joseph, head of the most perfect household, foster father of Jesus and guardian of His mother Mary, we ask that through your powerful intercession with God, that you assist us with our decision-making process. Enlighten our minds as faithful disciples of Jesus, to be open to new ideas and to respectfully and patiently work with one another. Teach us to do what is right in the eyes of God, and give us clear vision and firmness of decision to represent all members of our parish community. Amen.

ATTENDANCE

P=Present and A=Absent

	P	A		P	A		P	A
Pastor			Board of Ed President					
Fr. Gerry Reinersman	X		Hollie Lusby					
Parochial Vicar			Council Members			Council Members		
Fr. John Michniuk	X		Gina Dierig (3) – President & Public Relations	X		Steve Gooderson (1)- Vice President	X	
			Anton Striegel (3) – Secretary & Social Action – Out Reach	X		Brian Stegman (1) – Planning Development & Maintenance		X
Deacon			Julie Piscitello (2) – Board of Ed	X		Michael Enzweiler (1) – Liturgy & Worship	X	
Tim Schabell			Ron Reckner (1) – Finance	X				
Principal			CJ Peters (1) -Youth & Family		X			
Mrs. Susan Greis	X							
Business Manager								
Lee Kessen	X							

GUESTS:

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Moved by: Julie Seconded by: Anton Approved: Y

CORRESPONDENCE - None

PASTOR’S REPORT - Fr. Reinersman (see attachment #1 below)

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – Mrs. Susan Greis

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REPORT - (Vickie Klocke/Steve Fischer)

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT - Lee Kessen Business manager report

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT - Julie Piscitello – below is the Board of Ed report (from Pres. Hollie Lusby)...

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (details below)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Review Parish Council by law updates from November meeting

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COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE REPORT – (Ron Reckner)

The Finance Committee assists the pastor and Parish Council in planning, providing, and supervising the parish financial resources for the current and future needs by utilizing solid and effective financial planning.

Report / Talking points for meeting

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & MAINTENANCE REPORT (Brian Stegman)

The Maintenance, Planning & Development Committee assists the pastor in developing, planning, and communicating the long term strategic plans of the parish to meet the present and future needs of its parishioners while effectively utilizing its resources to enhance and maintain the parish plant and facilities. – No report

PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (Gina Derig)

The Public Relations & Communications Committee promotes and develops the Parish Family Concept through the celebration of special events and activities that offer opportunities for spiritual growth, and keeps the parish informed utilizing available technology (website & emails).

SOCIAL ACTION & OUTREACH REPORT (Anton Striegel)

The Social Action and Outreach committee fosters a climate of openness and inclusion among the members of our parish (especially those that do not have children or extended families within the parish), reaches out to those in material and spiritual need, and increases awareness of the available support services. – UCM update ... progress continues

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Part of Finance)

The Stewardship Committee organizes the Time, Talent, and Treasures of our parish and appropriates them accordingly.

LITURGY & WORSHIP REPORT (Michael Enzweiler)

The Liturgy & Worship Committee enhances and encourages full participation in a prayerful liturgical experience for the assembly while fostering the ongoing conversion and spirit of evangelization in the parish.

YOUTH & FAMILY REPORT (C.J. Peters)

The Youth & Family Committee welcomes families (particularly those with young children) to participate in fellowship opportunities they provide.

NEW BUSINESS:

- New talking points

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, we, as council members, pray for the grace and strength from your Holy Spirit to help us complete the work needed for our parish. Help us to be patient and helpful to each other as we work together with our parish organizations and school to meet the challenges that face us. Never let us forget that what we have in common far outweighs any differences we might have. Guide our efforts so that we might accomplish much in your name for the good of all. Help us to place love and service to God before all else and to show true Christian love to one another. Amen.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by: Ron Seconded by: Gina

NEXT MEETING: Regular meeting: **February 27 2018**

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Attachment #1
Pastor's Report January 23, 2018

Fr. Trinity Knight has moved to St. Anne Retreat Center in Melbourne. We will miss Fr. Trinity here at St. Joe's and we are very grateful for his effective priestly ministry here. Fr. John Michniuk has been assigned our parochial vicar. Fr. John was here some years ago as a seminarian. Please be sure to extend a warm welcome to him. I am sure you will come to appreciate his intellect and very dry humor.

United Catholic Movement

Our Leadership team met last week to discuss ways of moving forward from last fall's initiatives. They are taking a broader perspective, which will include welcoming, "how to invite" meetings, keeping "ambassadors" in the loop and returning the vase with names of inactive Catholics.

Year of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

The Diocese is making prayer and personal encouragement of young men to consider a vocation to the priesthood our focus for the coming year. We will pray a prayer for this intention at every Mass, Diocesan programs and activities will be designed for this intention.

Adult Faith Formation

Lectio Divina Study of the Eucharist is our next offering. Five sessions before Palm Sunday and five sessions after Easter will explore the foundation of the Eucharist in the Old Testament and the New Testament. We are planning to have sessions on Sunday mornings after the 9:30 Mass as well as Monday evening. We want to arrange for baby sitting and simple hospitality for the Sunday sessions.

Lee Kessen's retirement – July 1

Lee Kessen plans to retire on June 30, 2018. I did not get the open position ad prepared. As much as possible, I hope to have the new hire come on staff for (?) months before Lee retires.

Upcoming Events

Catholic Schools Week	January 28 – February 3	students speak at Masses
School Open House	January 28	
Catholic Schools Mass	January 31	10 am at Cathedral
Family Promise Host	February 4 – 10	
LENT		
Ash Wednesday	February 14	Masses: 6, 9 am, Noon, 7pm
	Fridays of Lent	Stations of Cross @ 7pm, Confessions afterward
Lenten Penance Service	March 5	7pm in Church
Holy Thursday	March 29	Seder / Mass 6pm / 7:30pm
Good Friday	March 30	Stations @ noon Services 3 & 7pm
Easter	April 1	