

**Minutes**  
**ST. JOSEPH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, 02/27/18**

**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
<b>Pastor</b>			<b>Board of Ed President</b>					
Fr. Gerry Reinersman	X		Hollie Lusby	X				
<b>Parochial Vicar</b>			<b>Council Members</b>			<b>Council Members</b>		
			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	
<b>Deacon</b>			Julie Piscitello (2) – Board of Ed			Michael Enzweiler (1) – Liturgy & Worship		
Tim Schabell			Ron Reckner (1) – Finance	X				
<b>Principal</b>			CJ Peters (1) -Youth & Family					
Mrs. Susan Greis	X							
<b>Business Manager</b>								
Lee Kessen	X							

**GUESTS:**

- **Jim Zilliox reviewed Diocesan Annual Plan – review & 'affirm / do not affirm / feedback'**
- **Linda Bricking attended from BOE.**

**APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by: **CJ** Seconded by: **M Enzweiler** Approved: **Y**

**CORRESPONDENCE-** **None**

**PASTOR'S REPORT** - Fr. Reinersman

(see details below)

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** – Mrs. Susan Greis

(see details below)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REPORT** - (Vickie Klocke/Steve Fischer)

**BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT** - Lee Kessen

(see details below)

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT** - Julie Piscitello – ...

1. School Open House and new student registration was January 28<sup>th</sup> 52 families attended. Last year it was 34
2. School is sponsoring “A Wired Family” talk on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 in Memorial Hall. Encourage everyone to go. NO KIDS.
3. We will be scheduling a Thank You/ Teacher Appreciation breakfast for PSR in the next month.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Discuss Parish Norms
2. Discuss updated documents: (1) Proposed Article Membership (2) By-Law Revisions
3. March meeting conflict - March 27<sup>th</sup> Chrism Mass 7 PM at Cathedral conflicts with PC meeting  
 March meeting cancelled – if something comes up a meeting will be scheduled

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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.*

See Finance Report below ...

**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.*

**\*\* See Planning & Development Report Below \*\***

**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 is on-going ... vase at church is back 'in service'
- Family Promise fund raiser – great night with STRONG St. Joe Cold Spring representation !!

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT** (Part of Finance)

*Feb 2018 No report*

*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.*

*Feb 2018 No report*

**YOUTH & FAMILY REPORT** (C.J. Peters)

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

*Feb 2018 No report*

**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: **CJ Peters**      Seconded by: **Steve Gooderson**

**NEXT MEETING:** Regular meeting: Tuesday **April 24<sup>th</sup>**      **\*\* March meeting cancelled**

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**Attachments**

Saint Joseph Parish Pastoral Council    Pastor's Report    February 27, 2018

Fr. John Michniuk has been re-assigned from St. Joseph Parish. This has required a change of weekday Mass schedule and my curtailing some other activities (e.g. Lectio series). Our staff and regular volunteers have been wonderful about taking up the slack as they are able. It has caused me to be even more grateful for the people we have working on behalf of the parish.

**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. St Joseph is hosting a Deanery wide Holy Hour for Vocations and a dinner on March 19 for high school and college age men who might consider discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

**Adult Faith Formation**

Lectio Eucharist Study of the Eucharist is going very well. About 18 are attending on Sunday morning and 25 on Monday night. 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.

**Business manager opening – July 1**

An position open ad has been placed in the Messenger, the Covington Diocese and Cincinnati Archdiocesan websites. To date, I have received six applications. Each one looks promising. A committee (Tom Rawe, Sue Greis, Jim Zilliox, Dale Losey) will meet to review applications, check references, interview candidates and help me make the selection. We hope the new business manager can come on staff two or three months before Lee retires.

**DPAA 2017 as of 2 / 6 / 2018**

Pledged	189,369
Goal	120,000
Over goal	69,369
Rebates to date	53,319

**DPAA 2018**

Parish goal	112,200
Announcement Sunday	March 4 (video)
Commitment Sunday	March 18
Follow up Sunday	April 15

**Elevator project**

RFP letters went out to three architectural firms today. We requested only costs for engineering, construction and materials. We want to have a better handle on what the project will actually cost. At this point we have about \$185,000 in reserve for the elevator. It will likely take at least one more DPAA cycle to reach the full cost.

**Upcoming Events**

**LENT**

Stations of Cross	Fridays of Lent	7pm, Confessions afterward
Lenten Penance Service	March 5	7pm in Church
Boosters' Stage	March 17	6:30 in gym
Holy Hour for Vocations	March 19	5:30 in church
Chrism Mass	March 27	7pm Cathedral
Holy Thursday	March 29	Seder / Mass 6pm / 7:30pm
Good Friday	March 30	Stations @ noon / Services 3 & 7pm
Easter Vigil Mass	March 31	8:30 pm
Easter Masses	April 1	7, 8:30, 10:30 am and 12:30pm



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- Proposed start date is May 30<sup>th</sup> with completion on or before June 27<sup>th</sup>
- Stephen and Jim will review lighting retrofit options

Elevator Project

- Father received approval to hire an Architect. Stephen to revise request for proposal letter next week.
- Hopefully we will have proposals to review at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting

School Entrance Modifications

Jim Pelgen is requesting proposals to install a door, camera and electric lock in the vestibule connecting the office to the vestibule. The door will be located between the two sets of glass doors. This will increase security by having visitors enter the office only after visual confirmation by video and release of electric lock.

Church Cross LED Lighting

- Quote received from FDL Electric Supply for \$4,060.00. Forward to Lee for approval.