

Minutes
ST. JOSEPH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, 05/22/18

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		
			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		X	Ron Reckner (1) – Finance		X			
Principal			CJ Peters (1) -Youth & Family	X				
Mrs. Susan Greis		X						
Business Manager			Business Manager (new)					
Lee Kessen	X		T Dunn = tdunn@stjoeparish.net					

GUESTS:

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Moved by: **Mike E** Seconded by: **C J** Approved: **Y**

CORRESPONDENCE- **None** (actually some old letter from April and invite to Cathedral for Easter)

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 –

- BOE meeting last month cancelled due to too many schedule conflicts ...Most of the *additional* info will come from Mrs. Gries. But the highlights are as follows:
- Communication went out to parents on tuition increase / Book bill will be handled differently / Some uniform additions have been made / Used uniform sale is set for June 6 / Next BOE meeting is July / Partial calendar was also released.

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.

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From Ron:

- Father talked about the DPAA and the 2017/2018 numbers money wise. He most likely will talk about that in his report.
- Lee updated us on the summer projects and due dates to get stuff done while school is out. He most likely will talk about that in his report.
- There is a big deficit in the upcoming budget and we need more students and more in the offertory to help with that.

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & MAINTENANCE REPORT (Brian Stegman)

No Report

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.

PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (Gina Derig)

No Report

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)

No Report

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.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Part of Finance)

No Report

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

LITURGY & WORSHIP REPORT (Michael Enzweiler)

No Report

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)

No Report

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

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: **C J**

Seconded by: **Steve**

NEXT MEETING:

Regular meeting:

Tuesday **June 26, 2018**

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Attachments

Saint Joseph Parish Pastoral Council Pastor's report May 22, 2018

No parochial vicar has been assigned to St. Joseph

- My letter in May 27 bulletin explains this - read the letter

Summer Children's Masses

This summer we will have 3 "children's" Masses, which will be very similar to the school Masses, i.e. with music, etc. Following each Mass there will be juice and refreshments in Kelley Hall and an activity. Four wonderful women have agreed to plan the activities and parish musicians have agreed to lead the music.

The three Masses will be at the 8:30 Mass on Thursdays, June 28, July 12 and August 9.

Diocesan Parish Annual Appeal

2017 Final

Households	% of parish	goal	given	% goal	rebate
548	28.75	\$120,000	\$189,369	158%	\$68,984

2018 as of May 10

459	24.4	\$112,200	\$159,544	142%	\$47,344
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- Finance Council is planning a phone-a-thon for June 20 to parishioners who gave last year but not this year yet.
Is anyone willing to help???

Parish Business Manager

Lee Kessen is about to retire after 26 years of remarkable service to the parish. I am personally grateful for the steady hand he has had on the wheel of parish operations and management. The whole parish should be grateful for his tenor here and wish him every blessing of a good, healthy and enjoyable retirement.

Tim Dunn has been receiving on the job training from Lee since May 1. There is no doubt in my mind that Tim is going to provide a tremendous service to the parish. Welcome Tim!!!

PLAY LIKE A CHAMPION

PLAC trains and equips coaches in Catholic schools with the skills to take on their coaching with a sense of ministry to the young people they coach. PLAC was developed at the University of Notre Dame. It is required for all coaches in Catholic elementary and high schools of the Diocese of Covington.

Coaches at St. Joseph have, for the most part, all completed their training. Now the parent sessions are being planned for the late summer and fall. Mrs. Greis, David Combs, Booster president, and I have met to set dates. Currently, we are looking for facilitators and for parishioners willing to be trained as facilitators.

Parish has been bequeathed an estate

Unsure of exact amount, but it is substantial. Finance Council has been informed and we are determining how to make the best use of this generous gift. Certainly, this gift will allow us to finish the elevator. The estate was bequeathed to the parish by Betty and Fenton Eglian.

Upcoming events

May	23	Newport Central Catholic High School graduation
	24	St. Joseph School graduation
	27	Bishop Brossart High School graduation
	30	RCIA team appreciation dinner
	31	last day of school at St. Joseph
		Lee Kessen's retirement open house

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June	3	Sr. Shauna Bankemper’s Jubilee of Religious Life
	17	Family Promise host week
	19	Parish staff planning day
	23	Deanery Pastoral Council

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – Mrs. Susan Greis Parish Council School Report May 2018

I would like to thank the parish council for supporting me in my first year at St. Joseph School. It’s been a smooth transition for Mrs. Huser and me.

We are getting ready for graduation on Thursday night. Our 8th graders will attend 6 different high schools, the majority are attending Bishop Brossart.

We have made the decision to adopt a new math series for grade K-5 called “Go Math”. It is published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. We are also going to look at replacing reading materials in grades 7 and 8 for the 2018-2019 school year.

We will be having meetings over the summer to plan for :

- scheduling
- RtI
- Training for new math program

New idea:

We are thinking about creating a Kinder Lab in the kindergarten building to promote STEM learning and discovery education based on a different theme each week. It’s an idea right now, but we are going to aggressively pursue it.

Finishing the year:

May 24- Kindergarten Celebration 10 am
 Graduation 7 pm
May 30- Olympic Day
May 31- Last day of school- 11:30 am dismissal

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT – Mr. Lee Kessen Parish Council May 22, 2018

Projects for the summer include:

- Security entrance to the school.
- Separation of rectory space and the priest living quarters.
- Memorial hall renovation project. Meeting scheduled for 5/29 to coordinate the job.
- Painting the office/rectory hallways is nearing completion.
- Outside direction signs for the campus (meeting on Wednesday to get a cost)
- New business Manager (Tim Dunn) is started Tuesday May 1st.
 - Lee is planning on June 1st as my last day in the office.