

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Council Minutes

Date: Friday, February 15, 2013

St. Agnes Room

Members in Attendance: Father John Cantwell, Al Cuellar, Tom Kozlowski, Maria Quintero, Mirna Taylor, Carlos Alvarado, Lisa Patterson, Paul Patterson, Mikol Maitland, Father Jong Sabato, Linda Madden, Sheila Tavano.

Guests: Denise Davidson, Gloria Merjil.

Members Absent: Pete Comerford, Jim Yates, Jeff French, Wes Fischer, Ellen Fischer, Bill Flynn (has resigned), Don Morley, Father Walter Tabios, Lupe Trujillo, Tina Rheault, Hope Cuellar

Opening

- President, Al Cuellar, called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.
- Fr. John Cantwell lead the council in a prayer
- Minutes of the January Parish Council Meeting were approved as sent.
- St. James Society minutes were presented by Lisa Patterson and approved as read.

Pastor's Comments – Fr. John Cantwell

1. I have been asked by the Bishop's Office to recommend one member of our Parish Council to be on the local Deanery Council. Sheila Tavano has accepted.
2. Bill Mott delivered two redwood stands for the statues in Our Lady Chapel on January 31st. They are beautiful.
3. We are looking into the possibility of a surveillance camera-phone system to help with the security on our property.
4. Conforti Plumbing fixed two leaking water pipes in the catacombs in Gurnell Hall.
5. Andy painted the parking stops facing Sacramento Street in the parking lot between Gurnell Hall and the U.S. Bank.

6. The gutters of Gurnell Hall, Cantwell Hall and the Rectory/Office have been cleaned and cleared of debris.
7. A plaque thanking all contributors to the St. Agnes Room project has been placed in the St. Agnes Room.
8. The Magnificat border is still being planned for the church.
9. Our janitors will go to St. James on the first Tuesday of each month to work on maintenance projects.
10. We had a Parish Staff meeting on February 12th to discuss our Holy Week and Easter schedule.
11. The key to the Vessel Room in the working sacristy has been replaced. The missing key was never found.
12. The Contribution Statements were printed and made available to the parishioners.
13. Father Jong is filling in for Father Walter while Father Walter is on vacation. Father Jong is visiting from the Philippines.

Denise Davidson, chairperson of the Sunday donuts and coffee, reported that it is going well. She will be checking with all ministries to continue it during July and August.

Gloria Merjil presented a bio on Edgardo Velazquez, seminarian. The children of Faith Formation have adopted him and have written letters to him. He answered back how pleased he was receiving them. The Vocation Cross is circulating with our parishioners. April 21st is National Vocation Sunday. Father Cantwell asked all to pray and support all seminarians. Also please support and assist Father Jong.

Mikol Maitland said that the speakers in Gurnell Hall need replacing. He will thoroughly check them and report back to Parish Council.

The Ladies Society's Day of Recollection held in January was very successful. Sheila Tavano reported one hundred women attended and left with a happier way to attend Lenten Services.

Lisa Patterson said that work is still being done on the Grotto at St. James in Georgetown. New cleaning methods are being done. They have received a donation of \$3500.

Marie Quintero of the Hispanic Community asked that every second hymn during the Good Friday outdoor service be sung in Spanish. They also requested that the Holy Saturday service of the Lights might be in Spanish. The Hispanic Community donated a check in the amount of \$180 to cover expenses for the leaks in Gurnell Hall ceiling which had been reported in December by Don Morley. Father Cantwell graciously thanked them for their generosity.

The second collection every Sunday during Lent will be donated to the Food Bowl. This is the Diocesan program of alms giving for the less fortunate.

Father Michael Moore will give St. Patrick parishioners a Mission from March 10 to March 13, 2013.

Tom Kozlowski reported: Total current assets are: \$599,412.36. Total Expenses: \$555,929.82. Net Income: \$43,482.54.

Closing:

- The next Parish Council meeting will be on March 8, at 7:30 pm in the St. Agnes Room.
- Fr. Cantwell led the council in a closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted
Sheila Tavano
Secretary