

## **ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Parish Council Minutes

Date: Friday, September 27, 2013

St. Agnes Room

**Members in Attendance:** Father John Cantwell, Father Walter Tabios, Father Jong Sabuga, Al Cuellar, Hope Cuellar, Tom Kozlowski, Don Morley, Mirna Taylor, Carlos Alvarado, Lisa Patterson, Ellen Fischer, Wes Fischer, Mikol Maitland, Linda Madden, Jose Garcia, Kathy Kasnic, Pete Comerford, Lucille Villalobos, Sheila Tavano. Guest: Denise Davidson.

**Members Absent:** Jeff French.

### **Opening**

- President, Al Cuellar, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Fr. John Cantwell lead the council in a prayer
- Minutes of the June 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. Dave Ramacciotti has set in place two defense barriers at the Beatitudes-Commandments monument. Our thanks to David.
2. Surveillance cameras are now working and all of our staff have been educated in how the system works.
3. Al and Hope Cuellar purchased three large planters for our property enhancements. Our thanks also goes out to them.
4. Jeanne Rheault has added several clauses to the contracts of people using our halls for family events.
5. Mike Lamoureux has fixed several light fixtures and switches on our property.

6. I attended the Mother Teresa Board meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and participated in the discussion regarding Bishop Soto's request on the Mother Teresa Home having its own Corporation. Bishop Soto has asked for support.
7. "Danny the Painter" has finished the painting of all entry gates to our Placerville property. He also painted doors and the Msgr. Hayes Memorial.
8. We have replaced all the wheel stops in the parking lots.
9. Due to hazardous conditions, the large tree between Gurnell Hall and Cantwell Hall was removed.
10. We have replaced the heating-air conditioning system in room 7 in Gurnell Hall.
11. Gloria Merjil has worked with leadership and the parish youth on the 12:30 Youth Mass scheduled for the second Sunday of each month.

Due to Gloria Merjil's absence there was no report from her on the Vocation Committee.

Don Morley said the heating and air-conditioning in room 7 has been repaired. The main air-conditioning unit in the church needs repairs or replacement. He has some concerns regarding the boiler. Fr. Cantwell has requested the decision on these repairs be postponed until the new Pastor arrives.

There was much discussion regarding the hearing aid availability. Sheila reported that she placed the schedule for regular users of our aids for the months of October, November and December in the gift shop as Jeanne Rheault directed her.

Sheila Tavano informed us of Joan Delfino's confinement due to illness. She is a patient at California Pacific Medical Center in San Francisco but is expected to be discharged soon.

Our Rummage Sale was, as always, a great success showing receipts of \$13,000. The surveillance system was paid for by the Ladies Society. Bids are in for the sound system repairs in Gurnell Hall. When bids are finalized the Ladies will also assume this debt. We have also agreed to study a surveillance system for St. James Church and pay for this service also. The Ladies will also discuss paying for the ac/heat repairs in room 7 at their next meeting. She also reported on Father John's Retirement Dinner to be held in Gurnell Hall on Saturday, November 23. The planning committee will meet on Tuesday, October 1. Tickets for this event will be available soon.

Hope Cuellar informed us that the Christmas tree will be set up in the vestibule in October. It will be decorated with ornaments of Our Lords birth. Tags on the tree will have child's name, sizes, favorite color and games. Gifts are due Dec 13<sup>th</sup>. This year registration will be held in Gurnell Hall on October 25. Hope also said every year the Ladies Society adopts one of the large families and fills their requests. The Ladies will do this again this year.

Lisa Patterson of St. James parish stated that clearing on the property is being done for fire prevention. Some fences needed fixing. All board members are staying. Their annual Bar-B-Que will be held Saturday September 28. Many members of St. Patrick's are planning to attend.

Kathy Kasnic said the Faith Formation classes are now into their third week. There are 381 students enrolled. Ninety-two students will receive their First Communion on May 10. Fifty-six students will be confirmed on June 4. St Patrick's t-shirts are being offered to students. Susan Mosbacher received special mention honors in the Catechist Magazine for all she has done and is still doing for the Faith Formation Classes. The kindergarten now has 10 students enrolled. Kathy spent Ministry Day at St. Francis High School along with many parochial teachers and ministry. Father Jong will meet with the First Communion students this Sunday, September 29.

Hispanic Community:

Lucille Villalobos reported that they are requesting the Youth Mass be changed to the fourth Sunday instead of the first Sunday each month. They realized \$662 from an event they held on September 8. They are planning a dinner/dance on

November 30. The Manzanita's celebration for Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held on Thursday, December 12. Father John congratulated them on all their accomplishments. Lucille said the community has a new record keeping system. Their budget and minute reports will be given to the office.

Denise Davidson said the Sunday Donut Social is going well. On October 6, the donuts will be offered at the library. On Sunday November 24, the people in charge of donuts that week will purchase muffins and pastries instead of donuts for the receptions for Father John after each Mass that day.

### **Financial Report-Tom Kozlowski**

Tom said that the total income from July 1 to September 26, 2013 was \$194,651.68. Other income: \$21,569.76. Total income - \$216,221.44. Expenses: \$194,052.99. Other Expenses: \$15,356.58. Total expenses: \$209,409.57. Net Income: \$6,811.87. Tom also read Father Cantwell's Parish Financial Report for the last fiscal year. Total resources for last year amounted to \$974,405. Disbursements amounted to \$909,759 leaving net resources of \$64,646. This report will be an insert in this week's bulletin.

**Closing:** The next Parish Council meeting will be held Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in the St. Agnes Room at 7:00 PM. This meeting will be the final Parish Council meeting of Fr. Cantwell's administration.

Father Cantwell led the council in a closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted  
Sheila Tavano  
Secretary