

St. Pius X Catholic Church  
Parish Council Minutes  
January 2, 2017

St. Pius X Parish Council met on January 2, 2017, at 6 p.m.

Members present: Nick Howard, Dennis Zoglmann, Jason Potts, Maria Hoesli, Charlie Moore, and Fr. Tom Buckman.

Guests attending: John McCarty, Sister Suzanne Sims, Amy Silvert, and Michelle Roberts.

The meeting opened with prayer. The December 5, 2016, Minutes were approved.

### **REPORTS**

**Financial Report:** John McCarty reported the summary of income, expenses, and assets as of November 2016 as reviewed by the Finance Committee. Revenues for November 2016 included proceeds from the Cooking Team's Thanksgiving cooking event. This year's event raised about \$1,000 less than the same event in 2015. Expenses were as expected. During November, one of the parish's Independence Bank accounts was compromised and some fraudulent transactions totaling about \$ 60 were posted. Parish staff worked with the bank to identify and reverse those transactions and to close the compromised account and open a new one. This incident provided the Finance Committee an opportunity to review the parish staff's internal control procedures, which it found to be adequate.

**Families in Faith:** Sister Suzanne updated the Parish Council on Families in Faith. She highly praised the parish's outgoing Co-Directors of Religious Education, Vicki Conder and Joe Wathen. They have been very helpful to Sister Suzanne in her transition to her position of Director of Religious Education. In her so-far short tenure in this position, Sister Suzanne has seen a lot of positive aspects of the existing parish religious education programs. She has met with Youth Director Matt Knight and begun working with him to coordinate religious education and youth activities. She looks forward to meeting more parishioners.

**OCS Education Report:** Amy Silvert updated the Parish Council on recent activities of the Education Council. The Council proposed a new tuition structure effective January 1, 2017. This new structure included formalization of the amount charged to non-Catholic students. Catholic Schools Week is January 30, 2017, through February 3, 2017. A fundraising dinner and auction will be held on February 18, 2017, at the Owensboro Convention Center. Tickets continue to be sold for the home raffle. Drawing for the home will be held on March 18. 50% of the proceeds of this raffle benefits OCS. (The other 50% benefits Sts. Joe and Paul Parish.)

**Business Manager Report:** Michelle Roberts reported on the status of the pictorial directory process. Signups are in progress, both at weekend masses and on the parish website. The parish is hoping for a large participation in the directory. After signups are completed, phone calls will be made to parishioners who did not sign up encouraging them to do so. Dates that pictures will be taken are February 2-5, 2017, and February 12-14, 2017. Volunteers will be needed to assist on those dates.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Picnic Survey:** Charlie Moore reported on recent activities of the Picnic Committee. The Committee met on December 19, 2016. Major decisions made at that meeting were to keep the same date for the

2017 picnic and to increase advertising. The picnic survey was also discussed. The Picnic Committee will continue to work through the results of that survey and consider possible changes to the picnic.

**Stewardship Renewal:** Fr. Tom reported on the status of the Stewardship renewal process. During December 2016, ministry and committee chairpersons began contacting those who expressed an interest in a ministry or committee on their Stewardship forms. Those chairpersons have been reporting back to Fr. Tom and are making good progress with their contacts. Michelle continues to refine the ministry scheduling software. While some issues remain to be resolved, parish staff is already seeing the benefits of this software in the time it has freed up for other tasks.

**Long Range Plan:** The final version of the long range plan, with detailed initiative goals, will be published in booklets to be provided to parish families in mid-January 2017. Committees have begun meeting to work toward implementing the goals. Recent progress on Initiative 1 (the worship space initiative) was discussed. In recent meetings of the Initiative 1 committee, the need to retain the services of a liturgical consultant has become apparent. This consultant will help guide the process. The committee has begun the search for a liturgical consultant.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Picnic Committee Election:** Fr. Tom presented the proposed nomination forms. Those nomination forms will be distributed in Masses the weekend of January 14-15, 2017.

**Koinonia:** The Koinonia team has begun meeting more frequently to plan 2017's Koinonia.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

**Next meeting:** February 6, 2017, at 6:00 PM.

Submitted by: Jason Potts, Secretary