

Minutes of Pastoral Council Meeting  
4/11/18

**Attendees:**

Father Roger  
Lou Hinds (Chairperson)  
Kathy Greene (Co-Chair)  
Jo Ann Boyko  
Rudy Gomez  
Jennifer Langley  
Christine Waldenmaier  
Peter Regan (Church Renovation Committee and Finance Committee)

**Opening Prayer:** All joined in the opening prayer lead by Lou Hinds for the health of Jack Pierson.

**Approval of the minutes** – Lou Hinds went over the minutes from the January Pastoral Council meeting. Lou asked for any corrections or changes. Kathy Greene moved to accept the minutes as amended. Jennifer Langley seconded the motion. All were in favor with no objections.

**Church Renovation wrap up – Peter Regan**

Peter reported that the final inspection of the Church was completed yesterday. The speakers in the Church Hall have been connected. Jo Ann Boyko reminded everyone that we still need to get a working fire alarm for the Church. Peter said that they would look into that. Peter reported that the 19 stained glass windows still need to be refinished and he expects these to be done by May 30<sup>th</sup>. He added that two pews need to be recovered due to damage from candlewax. He informed the group that this would cost over \$600.00 to recover the pews.

Peter plans to report at each Mass this coming weekend that we have finished spending money. We have spent \$1,055,000 for everything so far. Peter will read the breakdown for this spending at the upcoming Masses. We have income of \$250,000 from a bank fund, \$125,000 from the land sale, \$350,000 borrowed and \$356,000 was raised in one year from fundraising for a total of \$1,081,000. We still have \$350,000 debt to pay off. For the first 3 years we will pay 4048.00/month. For the following 7 years we will pay \$2,263.00 per month. There is a balloon at the end of 10 years. Peter hopes we pay it all off earlier than 10 years. Our Living our Mission pledges are \$20,000 behind currently. We need to encourage all parishioners to honor their pledges to the Living Our Mission campaign.

Peter says that monthly collections are doing well right now. Peter added that we will form a fundraising committee for the debt in the next few weeks. He suggested to Rudy Gomez that someone from Hispanic Ministries be on this committee. He also asked Rudy if someone could translate for him at the Hispanic Mass when he gives his report this weekend.

Peter reminded the group that we still need to empty the storage trailer and move some stuff, such as the older safe.

A decision was made to move the safe that is currently in the church office (and used to be in the old church sacristy) to the new church sacristy. This would put it in a place where the ushers could get to it without going into the church office.

### **Parish Clean-up – Lou Hinds.**

Lou asked Rudy Gomez for help putting a post and rail fence up on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May during a Parish Cleanup day. Rudy agreed to check on it. Lou also asked for volunteers to clean up the old front entrance doors.

### **Dedication of the Church - Fr. Roger**

Fr. Roger is waiting for a final response from the Bishop for a date for the Consecration of the Church. It will tentatively be held at 3:00 pm with the annual Parish Picnic right after if the Bishop can come sometime at the end of June or beginning of July.

### **Hispanic Ministries – Rudy Gomez**

**New Hymnals** - The hymnals have been bought. They are being passed out at the entrance to the church and not left in the pews. They will be stored in the ushers' closet. The ushers will retrieve the books if they are left in the pews. Fr. Roger asked that the hymnals be handed out before the Saturday night Mass during the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month.

**Pentecost Celebration at Metompkin Elementary** – On May 20<sup>th</sup> there will be a Mass at 12:00 pm. There will be no entrance fee, but food will be sold. The Emmaus ladies will sell the food for the building fund. Jo Ann Boyko mentioned that other groups will be having bake sales on Sundays for fundraising also.

The Hispanic Lectors will be planning another raffle for a fundraiser. This is still being planned.

Rudy reported that they are planning to restart the Offertorio de Amor in June.

### **Items of Importance – Fr. Roger**

**Church Consecration** – The Bishop will consecrate the altar with sacred oil. This is the first time that Bishop Barry has consecrated a church as a Bishop. There will be a planning meeting set up with the Bishop to plan the event.

Father Roger thanked Peter Regan, Al Nardone and the Hispanic Community for their hard work in building this wonderful new Church. Fr. Roger also thanked Kathy and Wayne Greene for their generosity and all who helped in the Holy Week celebration.

We have ordered the new English hymnals also.

Fr. Roger will be away the week of April 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Other Items of Importance**

#### **Parking lot –**

Lou Hinds questioned how we were going to move forward in refinishing the parking lot. He mentioned the dirt being tracked into the new church and Jo Ann Boyko also pointed out that Risk Management had mentioned that the current gravel presented a fall risk. Lou Hinds asked if the Parish Council would approve an investigation into the feasibility of a partial paving of the front of the Church.

Fr. Roger responded that his priority is to pay off the current debt first. He would rather we grade and plane the parking lot and spread more gravel first, possibly a smaller stone.

Rudy Gomez suggested that we paint the boundaries and the areas for handicapped parking and place more bumpers in the parking lot.

#### **Need for Ushers**

A request for more ushers at the 9:00 am Mass has been made for the past two weeks and only one person has come forward. Jennifer Langley asked how young an usher can be? It was decided that a mature teenager would be fine.

#### **Yard Sale**

Rudy Gomez said that Angelica wanted to do this fundraiser with the Hispanic Community. Food sales would be used to raise more money at the sale. Tables would be rented out. Rudy also asked about some doors and an old water heater that we have stored in the Storage Pod. Lou Hinds commented that we may want to sell these items.

#### **Bingo for a fundraiser**

Peter Regan suggested that we might want to try having Bingo once per week. The group decided that we would check with the Diocese and see if we would need additional insurance or if there were any other concerns.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on May 9 at 7 pm.

Fr. Roger closed with a prayer.