

Parish Council Minutes  
January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Attending: Fr. Tim Kozak, John Anderson, Marie Johnson, Ray Johnson, Diana Bartles, Cecelia Lisle

John called the meeting to order. Fr. Tim did a scripture reading and a few minutes were taken to reflect on it. The meeting continued with the reading and approval of the previous minutes. A motion was made by Diana Bartles, and seconded by Ray Johnson, to accept the minutes as written. All were in favor.

Committee Reports:

Building and Maintenance:

- The elevator is working again. E-Mar has been here three times for the same problem: the elevator will go down a few feet and stop and then it will wait there for almost a minute until it finally goes to the basement. E-mar thinks that the fix is temporary and that they may have to replace the valve. They also said that the elevator is at end of its expected lifespan.
- The repair of the slats in the bell tower, along with some minor painting, will be done in the spring.

Liturgy:

- All three of the Christmas Masses were well attended.
- The *Rediscover Jesus* books were distributed to the parish at the Christmas Masses. Fr. has received several good comments on the book.

Religious Education:

- We have eight CCD students that will go on the March for Life on January 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Culture of Life sponsored five students, the parish Needy Fund sponsored two students and a donation sponsored two more.

Finance:

- Parish checking is looking better because of the extra collections over the holidays.
- The Diocesan Liability fund is doing better because of a rebate from the DSPC. We still owe \$8,256.

Social:

- The Christmas Brunch Potluck on December 13<sup>th</sup> was well attended.

Old Business

- The changing of the Saturday Mass time was discussed. Diana gave out a list of names compiled by Emerson Heighton that were in favor of the

change. It was decided that more time was needed to consider this issue, so it was tabled until the next meeting.

#### New Business

- Fr. Tim would like to change the prayer that is said at the beginning of Mass. Instead of praying for vocations he would like to pray for the return of people who have left the church. Fr. gave out the prayer he had written. He asked that each member look over the prayer and offer suggestions at the next meeting.

With no other business, a motion was made by Diana Bartles, and seconded by Marie Johnson, to adjourn. Fr. Tim ended the meeting with a prayer.

The next Parish Council meeting is Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, and the meeting of the Executive Committee is Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.