Parish Council Minutes January 15, 2015

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

John Anderson called the meeting to order. Fr. Tim read from Scripture and after spending some time reflecting on the reading the meeting continued. Once the previous minutes had been read by all in attendance, a motion was made by Marie Johnson second by Diana Bartles to accept them as written.

Committee Reports:

Building and Maintenance

Fr. Tim has been looking into a telecoil loop system for the church. This
system will broadcast a signal that can be picked up directly by a hearing
aid, bypassing all background noise. This should give a much better
sound for people who wear hearing aids. The cost for this would be
around \$1,000 and it would be added into the current sound system. After
some discussion on this all members were in agreement to purchase this
system.

Liturgy:

- The penance services both in Gallipolis and Point Pleasant where not as well attended as the one here in Pomeroy.
- Both the Christmas Vigil and the Midnight Mass were well attended.
- The holy day of obligation for The Solemnity of Mary was well attended, although still below the normal weekend attendance.

Religious Education:

Five CCD students will attend the March for Life on January 21st and 22nd.
 The Culture of Life Group sponsored the students.

Finance:

- The Diocesan property insurance bill has been paid in full.
- See attached report.

Social:

• The Christmas brunch on Dec 14th was well attended.

Old Business

None

New Business

- A parishioner had voiced a concern that the Knight's display area is permanent and is a problem when decorating the hall. This brought up the question as what could be done to make the hall look better.
- A suggestion was made that we could lower the ceiling, covering all the pipes, wiring and exposed lighting.
- It is also possible to divide the hall off in sections by an operable partition system. This could be use to hide the kitchen area and could also be used to provide storage area near the base of the stairs.
- Both of these suggestions where tabled until the next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is Wednesday, February 11th, and the next Executive Committee meeting is Thursday, February 5th.