

*St. Pius X Catholic Church
122 West 400 North
Moab, Utah 84532-0357*

*Parish Council Meeting #4
January 31, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.*

1. Opening Prayer

Marian opened this meeting with the following prayer:

Let us Pray,

Loving, Heavenly Father we come to you this hour asking for your blessing and help as we are gathered together. We pray for guidance in the matters at hand and ask that you would clearly show us how to conduct our work with a spirit of joy and enthusiasm. Give us the desire to find ways to excel in our work. Help us to work together and encourage each other to excellence. We ask that we would challenge each other to reach higher and farther to be the best that we can be. We ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

2. Welcome and Introduction (Appendix A)

Father Bill extended a warm welcome and thanked everyone for attending. Those in attendance were Father Bill, Pat, Jim, Theresa, Chris, Keith, Marian, Rachel, Bob, and Deb. Nanci was not present for the meeting.

3. November 9, 2016, Parish Council Minutes

Approval:

Patrick entertained a motion to vote for approval of the November 9, 2016, minutes. Marian moved to approve. Bob seconded the motion. The balance of the Council members were 'all in favor.'

4. Bishop Oscar Solis

Father Bill gave a brief background of Bishop Oscar's ministry highlighting the fact that he is the very first American Bishop from the Philippines. Father then explained that the Bishop is already ordained, therefore, he will be installed as the Tenth Bishop of Salt Lake on Wednesday, March 8.

5. New Pastor Positions

Father Bill continued to inform the Council that the Diocesan Personnel Board will meet the first week of February to discuss positions of new Pastors. There are four (4) openings in the Diocese: Cedar City, St. John the Baptist in Draper, the Holy Family in Ogden, and then St. Pius X.

Patrick asked if there was a mandatory retirement age for Priests. If 70 years old, you must ask permission from the Diocese and you do not receive any benefits. If you are 75 years or older, no permission is needed and you may draw benefits from the Diocese Priestly Retirement Fund. Many Priests have 401Ks.

Father Bill will know by April if St. Pius X will receive a new Pastor.

OLD BUSINESS

6. Financial Review by Father Bill

INCOME:

January's Statement of Activities looks deceptive because the TOTAL INCOME (-\$925.99) shows as a deficit. You must look at the YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL COLUMN (\$56,032.18). In November, 2016, \$13,000 was placed into #28 10 REGULAR INCOME. Then Father wrote a check to SAVINGS in December, 2016. Refer to Page 3, Father's handwritten information. This shows SAVINGS (\$47,000 balance) after paying for the labor for the tile floor and the boiler. La Sal has \$1,000 in it's SAVINGS account.

St. Pius X received a rebate from #32 50 DDD of \$1,833.

Another deception of the YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL (\$56,032.18) is that 1% (\$1,172.82) was transferred from #30 30 OTHER ORDINARY INCOME into #35 CHARITY.

It was suggested to transfer money from #28 10 REGULAR INCOME into the #33 60 INTERMOUNTAIN CATHOLIC account in an effort to shelter the money so that the church doesn't have to pay taxes on it.

Referencing YEAR TO DATE LAST YEAR, #36 90 STIPENDS: Last year Masses were being said regularly. This year Mass stipends has dropped.

EXPENSES:

The overall expense are down for 2017.

#70 1503 LITURGICAL SUPPLIES (\$295.50) are up to compensate Nanci Flesher to cantor the Saturday Masses.

WEEKLY DONATIONS:

The weekly collections are higher than last year with an average of \$1,200 to \$1,300/week. A 5-Week Sunday month will always affect the count. Many parishioners pay on the first Sunday of every month. The monthly average comes to approximately \$1,500 per week. The church is on tract to continue with improvements.

7. Maintenance Project Review/Discussion by Jim

Jim will attempt to install the Pendant Lights by the end of February. He is having a hard time getting the electrician to reply. Father is picking out the proper lights. They will be tubular-shaped with an alabaster shade which will bring out the richness of the wood. There must be testing done to determine the proper size of the lights. Small lights in the Choir area will replace the spotlights.

The insulated windows have arrived; and Jim is picking up the security door for the Rectory the next time he is in Junction. (As of the time of this writing, Jim has installed the tile, windows, and door. Jim also painted the hallway and cry room. Father Bill formally thanked Jim for all of his hard work during Mass.)

Rachel informed the Council that there is a very favorable response to the new tile floor on Facebook.

Rocky Mountain Power have not gotten back regarding the solar panels. The salesman works with the Diocesan office. Jim and Rachel both stated that they know other representatives from Rocky Mountain that they could speak to, if need be.

Jim and Patrick are both working on getting a bid for placing a tar coat on the parking lot plus striping. Rachel said that she will find out who is doing the Chip and Seal job for the City.

8. La Sal Mission - Upgrade

La Sal has a savings of \$1,000. Father does not want to touch the electrical. He would like to put gravel down in the parking lot since there is a great need for it. How do you prep for this? What is involved? Weeds? Theresa will call Fuller Construction for gravel (limestone) cost and amount (quantity).

For fly control and ventilation, a storm door should be installed. Can an overhead fan be installed? No.

Theresa volunteered her husband, Mike, to look at fixing the exposed wires.

Father Bill asked Theresa if Mike could also look at sealing up the screen gaps.

9. Mass Time Change by Father Bill

There is no consensus to change the time. St. Joseph's parishioners are not interested in a social and they do not want adult education at this time. The times will remain unchanged.

NEW BUSINESS**10. Social Media**

Marian asked if there could be an insert placed into the bulletin about the website regarding how to navigate it. Could there also be an explanation about how to use Facebook's "like" button and the importance of it. Parishioners should be informed of all of the many, unique ways to gather church information.

Bulletin Information

Since some parishioners do not have a computer, it was noted that the newest Parish Council Agenda should be inserted in the Bulletin. This would allow all parishioners to know what the Council will be discussing and allow the parishioners to comment on a topic to Father or to any of the Council Members prior to the next meeting. The minutes are always posted in the church.

Website by Rachel

There will now be a separate 'Project Page' listed on the Menu Bar and will give the progress of each project. It is hoped that this will entice parishioners to volunteer and become involved.

There will be a separate 'Ways to Give Page' that includes an opportunity for on-line giving. Mimicking the Diocesan's On-Line Giving website page, this will provide parishioners the opportunity to donate to a specific project monetarily. Visiting tourists, when aware, tend to be very generous.

11. Personal Invites to Serve

One of the duties of the Parish Council Members is to personally invite parishioners to serve as Lectors, Ushers, and Greeters. Council members are to act and serve as leaders of St. Pius X church community. Father Bill will be placing a blurb in the bulletin stating that parishioners are to feel comfortable to approach any Council member with their ideas or questions.

12. Upcoming Social Events - Leaders

Marian volunteered to act as the main leader for all of the events and will be holding a group meeting with all of the appropriate leaders of each individual group. A day has not been set for this meeting. It was agreed that all of the group leaders are to individually invite the parishioners to help with the different functions.

Car Show Parking - Saturday, April 29 - Leader is Marian

Father will not be in town on this day. Marian is to make a volunteer sheet with 2-hour time slots available for the parishioners.

Confirmation Reception - Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 15 - Leader is Deb

This reception will be to formally welcome two RCIA students Shirley Brewer and Rachel Stenta into the St. Pius X community.

Confirmation Reception - Tuesday, September 26 - Leader is Deb

Bishop Oscar will be officially Confirming four (4) St. Pius X teens and ten (10) St. Joseph teens. Kathy Cooney who is a RCIA student will also be Confirmed at this ceremony. The Mass will be at 7:00pm with the reception immediately following.

Dedication of St. Joseph Church in Monticello - Wednesday, September 27 - Leader is ?

This reception should include treats like a St. Pius X Sunday Social but will be held at St. Joseph's. The leader position is still open at this time of writing.

Whole Parish Reception for welcoming the new St. Pius X Pastor - Tentatively set for Friday, August 4 - Leader is Chris

A suggestion was to host a Pot Luck Dinner.

Sunday Socials - Leader is Deb

Deb is to write a list of responsibilities as a handout for all who volunteer to ensure consistency. Water, milk, and juices are now in small container form in an effort to reduce waste and spoilage of products and to bring the drinks to a more wholesome level. Let Deb know when any supply item gets low whether it is drink or service related.

Parish Picnic - Tentatively set for Sunday, June 4, Leader is Chris

It was decided that the picnic be held at Swanney Park. This will help Chris with the transportation of all the necessary food and items. The picnic will follow immediately after the 11:00am Mass. Rachel is checking to see if any large City event is planned for that day. There is no fee to pay the City for the usage of Swanney Park. It was suggested that pop-up tents could be rented.

Parish Council Dinner with Bishop Oscar -

Father Bill would like to have a dinner at a local restaurant to introduce Bishop Oscar to the Parish Council members. Timing for this will be in August before Father Bill formally leaves.

Holy Communion Reception - Sunday, May 21, Leader is Deb

This was not formally discussed at the Council meeting. A small group of volunteers have already been gathered and some decorations. This reception will take place immediately after the Sunday 9:00am Mass and include a large, Holy Communion decorated sheet cake. The reception will mimic a Sunday Social.

13. Holy Cards

Father is to give Deb the names of all those parishioners making a Sacrament this year. Printing of names will be listed under their appropriate Sacrament (example: RCIA class, Confirmation class, or Holy Communion.)

14. Any Ideas for Future Parish Socials?

Ideas were a Tamale Christmas Party and a Lenten Fish Fry. Any leaders?

15. Emails - Rachel

Rachel is placing all parishioner emails on a central database. Father Bill has given Rachel those emails that he has presently on record. He also will announce at Mass about the email signup sheets located at the back of the church and encouraged all to fill out. The new Lector, Usher, and Finance Committee schedules will be sent via email. A reminder for the next weekly Sunday Social Volunteer could also be contacted via email.

16. The **Volunteer for Opening Prayer** at the next Parish Council Meeting is Bob.

17. Closing Prayer

Father Bill closed this Parish Council Meeting with the Our Father and Hail Mary.

18. Next Meeting

The next Council Meeting being held on Wednesday, April 5, immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass.

I hold that the above minutes are correct to the best of my ability,

Deb Slechta
St. Pius X Parish Council Secretary
Ave Maria!

APPENDIX A**2016 - 2017 PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS
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