

# SJN Parish Council Minutes - January 22, 2018

In Attendance: Very Rev. Phillip Pflieger, Mark Hughson, Tony Rodrigues, Joe Daverso, Maryann Cerwonka, Linda Nasuti.

Guests: Fr. Colavito, Fr. Dunn, John Nasuti, Jim Kolsach

Our meeting began with prayer by Fr Colavito.

December minutes were approved by council.

## Old Business:

**1. Panama Sister Relationship project with SJN:** Joe had a conversation with Frank and it was suggested that we follow a similar procedure that is used by Villanova to invite the high school & college students their become involved. Also, it was suggested that we look at some things more local and There is a group called Center for Faith Justice (CFJ) using WorX programs -- ServiceworX, e.g.: TASK, Sprout, ... JusticeworX, CommunityworX, and LeaderworX--for youth and young adults from middle school through college. Maybe someone from the organization can come and give a presentation. It was suggested that there be some coordination with Melanie with the youth group and Fr. Colavito with Holy Cross.

## 2. Updates

- a) **Faith in the Future:** communication between parishes, "Theology on Tap" is being done at St Mary of the Lakes on 2/7.
- b) **Youth Ministry:** N/R
- c) **Collection Counters:** According to Jim is was hectic.
- d) **Ushers:** There was no coordination. We need a coordinator for this.
- e) **Liturgy Committee:** Tony Rodrigues said that the Christmas Novena with Fr. Dunn was successful. During midnight Mass there were problems with the outside lighting system and the microphones, as well as the ushers. In addition, in January the first Saturday Mass & devotions have been restarted, along with the third Monday of the month 1 hour of adoration. Upcoming events are : the feast of St Blaze falls of the next first Saturday on 2/3. Fr. Jim Grogan will do a marriage retreat for couples night on 2/12, Divine Mercy Retreat on 3/3. Their next meeting is on 2/15.
- g) **Altar Rosary** N/R

- h) Social Activities** MaryAnn brought up the Soup and Stations and wanted to change it to have it as "Pizza with the Pastor" then the stations and have one of the priests to be there for pizza on three of the nights instead of soup from 6-7pm. Also, she mentioned that she has the petition for 1st Friday 10AM mass proposal. It will be discussed.
- i) Pre-Cana** There will be a 2-day training for engaged couples on October 12-13 on Friday night 6:30-9:30 pm and on Saturday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. They need married couples to help from St. John Neumann or other parishes. Contact Joe & Mille, if you are interested.
- 4. H/ML Road Digital Sign:** Proposal -Deferred until decision on about monastery property is decided- no change.
- 5. Movie Night:** Has been planned for January 27 the movie that will be shown is "Dumbo" on Saturday night @ 6 pm (after 5:30 Mass). Fr. Dunn suggested that Helen and Danielle be contacted to promote it with the families to make sure that there would be a good turnout.
- 6. Use of Facilities and Establishment:** Inter-mural Athletic Activities-pending. N/C
- 7. Fellowship Sunday:** Will be sponsored by the Choir in February after the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses. **Please note: A message be put in the notes for the lector and for the priest about Fellowship Sunday, so it gets announced at the Mass. This can be accomplished by notifying Eleni DiCarlo or Mike Rocco in the office.**
- 9. Building Committee:** Fr. Pflieger reported that he and some of the committee were looking at different churches to see how to update the church , as well as an architect to evaluate what we need to do. K of C is putting lights behind the stained glass. Maryann said that the big hall is needed for building community.
- 10. Parish Survey -** Tony Rodrigues & Mark Hughson will have a worked on the survey and passed out a sample of it to us. Tony suggested that the week they hand it out they would announce it from the pulpit and ask everyone to fill it out in the pews. Fr. Pflieger said he will review it, will let them know and wants to do it as soon as possible. (Copy attached under separate cover)
- 11. Security Plan:** Mike Rocco previously told us that he was to meet someone about establish a security system for St John Neumann. N/C
- 12. Bishop Sheen TV:** Deferred for this month.
- 13. Parent Community Assn (PCA)** under reorganization

- 14. Ministry Appreciation Activity:** After some discussion it seems that it will be sometime in late February on a Saturday night after 5:30 Mass more details will be decided later. Deferred for this month.

#### **New Business**

- Financial Statement -- Pastoral Review and suggestions for cost-reductions will be done within the next week.
- Parish Council Elections for 2018 the people's terms due to expire are:  
Tony Rodrigues, Mary Ann Cerwonka, Ann Fredricks  
It's up to Mike & Joe to develop some plan to reach out to the parish for new members of council.

#### **Public Comments:**

- Jim mentioned that 2018 is the 40th anniversary of St John Neumann. Fr. Pflieger asked that a committee be set up for the St. John Neumann 40th anniversary celebration.
- Fr. Colavito mentioned that on Thursday 3/1 he is starting the next seminar series entitled "Modern Saints of the Church"
- Jim mentioned that we have no emergency contact number in case there is a problem Fr.Pflieger said the contact person should be Mike Rocco.

Meeting closed with a Prayer by Fr. Dunn at 8:00 PM.

Next meeting will be Monday, February 26, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Nasuti