

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Council Minutes

Date: Friday, November 9, 2018

Classroom #2

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Father Hernando Gomez, Geno Davidson, Lupita Gonzalez, Kathy Kasnic, Maria Quintero, Jeannine Delgado, Elizabeth Santana, Sheila Tavano, and Sophia Mechling.

Absent: Ellen Fischer, Wes Fischer, Jim Yates, Mikol Maitland, Lucille Villalobos, Craig Davis

Guests: Colette Polaski and Denise Davidson

In the absence of Jim Yates, Geno Davidson, Vice President, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

Father Hernando Gomez led the council in a prayer

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as sent.

St. James Society rectory roof repairs have been completed.

Pastor's Comments – Father Hernando Gomez

1. Miriam Dixon has decided that it is time for her to step down from her full time volunteer position as cantor for the Saturday Vigil Mass and the 8 o'clock Sunday Mass. Pete Chavez has also decided that he will no longer be the person in charge of Altar Server training. Pete has passed on the torch to Mike Slusher. We are very grateful for both Miriam's and Pete's many years of service. In appreciation of their service to our parish, we will be presenting them with a recognition gift on November 18th.
2. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for guarding the parking lot on October 31st. We had the Vigil Spanish Mass for All Saints Day as well as the Faith Formation Holy-ween event. Because our parking was not taken by the Main Street visitors, we had plenty of parking for our parishioners.
3. Don Boltz and Gloria Merjil have organized a Ministry Fair to take place on November 18th, after the 8:00AM and 10:00 AM Masses and before the 12:30 PM Mass. This will be a great event for parishioners to get to learn of the many ministries of our parish.

Geno Davidson, Vice President, said the Nomadic dinner was a huge success. \$9,000 was realized. The Knights of Columbus have bought six cases of jackets for the giving tree. Monies from the pancake breakfast will be donated to M.O.R.E. On December 2nd the Knights will guard the gates of the parking lot because of the Christmas parade on Main Street. Thursday, November 15 the Knights will have Mass at 6PM honoring the deceased members. Their Christmas dinner will be held on December 10th, at the Red Hawk Casino.

Kathy Kasnic announced that Jeannine Delgado will be leaving her position at the end of June, 2019. Congratulations on her upcoming marriage. On December 2nd Faith Formation will have a float in the Placerville Parade. On December 7th, FaithWorks will have a fundraiser, Paint Nite. The Faith Formation Christmas pageant will be held on December 16th, in conjunction with the K of C Pancake Breakfast. Hot chocolate will be served by the Ladies Society and it is hoped that Santa will make an appearance. See's Candy Sale will be held from now until Christmas. The Holy-ween event was a fun event for those who attended.

Colette Polaski stated that the Ladies Society has three new board members. The Ladies have donated \$6000 to pay for Youth Group members to attend summer camp. It was decided that the youth group will receive stipends for some of their volunteer service. The Princess Diana Luncheon was a great success. The Ladies have donated \$700 for the Christmas Giving Tree family that was chosen. This weekend the Ladies Boutique will be held in Gurnell Hall.

Maria Quintero announced that on December 9th the Hispanic Community will have a celebration after the 12:30 p.m. Mass in honor of Saint Juan Diego. On December 12th, at 5:00 a.m. a serenade will be held in the church for Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Mass will be at 7 pm. Hot Chocolate and desserts will be available in Gurnell Hall immediately following the morning serenade.

Colette Polaski asked that all event planners fill out the kitchen check list after the event is over and that those responsible of the event also be given proper instruction of care of the facilities. Father Hernando would like to see Jeanne be present at the events that are not held by parish organizations. After further discussion of this topic, it was recommended that we revisit it at the December meeting.

Financial Report: Lupita Gonzalez:

Lupita reported on the Profit and Loss Previous Year Comparison, first quarter of the 2018-2019 fiscal year. She explained that the change from this year to last year is the income from the Sacramental Services and the Script income from St. James Society. The expenses from this year to last year are less but the Diocesan Assessment and other diocesan payments are not paid with one month in advance as they were last year. Overall, the parish is operating at a loss, month to month. The parish organizations, the Fund for the Needy, and the Improvement Funds accounts are doing well, but the operating income is not sufficient to cover the day to day operating expenses.

The next Parish Council meeting is planned for Friday December 14th, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Father Hernando gave a closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Tavano