

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Council Minutes

Friday, December 13, 2019, at 7:00 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Father Hernando Gomez, Geno Davidson, Lupita Gonzalez, Kathy Kasnic, Maria Quintero, Sheila Tavano, Elizabeth Santana, Mikol Maitland, Keith Flaherty

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Jim Yates

MEMBERS ABSENT: Craig Davis, Lucille Villalobos

GUEST: Vianey Gonzalez, Peter Huerta

Geno Davidson, vice-president opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Father Hernando Gomez led the council in prayer.

The last council minutes were approved as sent.

There were no comments of the minutes from St. James.

PASTOR'S COMMENTS: FATHER HERNANDO GOMEZ:

1. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for guarding the gates last Sunday. We had many activities going on in our parish as well as the parade taking place on Main Street, however, we did not have any issues with parking.
2. The celebration for our Lady of Guadalupe went well yesterday. Thank you to the Hispanic Community for the coordination of the event.
3. Father Ezra Sullivan will be visiting for a couple of weeks. He has asked to celebrate Mass at 11:00 PM on Christmas Eve. All are invited to attend. Father will be with us from December 18th until the 30th.

Geno Davidson wished all a very Merry Christmas and stated that all ministries must unite.

Due to Colette's absence, Lupita Gonzalez gave the Ladies Society's report. In November, the Ladies had a bake event and also the annual Boutique was held realizing \$3,232.00. The ladies voted to purchase a new flooring for the working Sacristy, water proof core flooring, and also purchased new carpet for classrooms 3 and 6 for a total purchase of \$6,833.00. The Ladies had their December pot luck gift exchange meeting which was enjoyed by all. Two hundred eleven children from 81 families received 800 wrapped gifts which were donated from our parishioners. A Bake Event is scheduled for this weekend after all the Masses. Parishioners are asked to take a survey with the county regarding the Senior Services offered. Many parishioners are already using the adult day care service. A dinner Fundraiser is being planned during January. Two mats were purchased for the kitchen. The rest of the mats will be put down by Jim Polaski on Saturday. Colette met with all the Knights teams regarding the use of the kitchen. More cleansing must be done after the use of the kitchen from all ministries.

Geno said that the Knights of Columbus's Christmas Dinner was attended by 80 people at the Red Hawk Casino and was enjoyed by all attending. At the dinner, Paul Schrader was honored as the Knight of the Year. Four widows were also in attendance.

Kathy Kasnic said that 14 students were on the Faith Formation float in the Placerville Christmas parade. The first production of the Christmas Pageant was held on Wednesday. The second will be held on Sunday after the 10AM Mass. Sophia Kia did a beautiful job accompanying on the piano. About \$2000 was realized from the Sanchez event to benefit the Sanchez Family. About 180 people attended.

Vianey Gonzalez, the FaithWorks Representative, shared an update on the variety of service endeavors for the month: decorating the Christmas Giving Tree, Altar Cleaning & a lot of leaf raking on campus. Peter Huerta, another representative for FaithWorks gave an update on fundraising efforts for the Tororo project, which supports churches in Uganda, Africa. He said Father Emmanuel sends pictures from Africa. Lupita was able to report that Father Emmanuel does have his bike that he was wishing for. January 26th is the FaithWorks "Paint Night" fundraiser for the youth group.

Maria Quintero said that the Hispanic Community, on December 8th, celebrated the feast of San Juan Diego. On December 12th, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 5:00 AM serenade and Mass was celebrated followed by refreshments in Gurnell Hall. A raffle was held from which \$2,000 was received. On December 22nd, a Posada will be held after the 12:30 PM Mass, in which children who attend receive a goody bag.

Mikol Maitland discussed the flood that had been in the church on Thursday. The Fire and Police Departments responded and worked to clean most of the water. Mikol suggested that we update our emergency building plan. The emergency departments should have this in case of any emergency. He will meet with Lupita after the New Year to work on this project.

Financial Report: Lupita Gonzalez:

November

Total Income	\$68,838.39
<u>Total Expense</u>	<u>\$52,375.33</u>
Net Income	\$16,463.06

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 7th, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

Father Hernando Gomez gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Tavano

Secretary.