

Date of Meeting: November 14th, 2018

Meeting: SLDM Parish Council

Scribe: Chris Harper

Attendees: Fr. Pat, Fr. Travis, Jerry McConnel, Pat Clarke, Steve Schwegmann, Alan Lessard and Chris Harper

Absent: Chad Melloh, John Petrie, Mark Mader, Jennifer King, Gene Kroeff, Louie Jorczak and Jamie Anderson

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **OPENING PRAYER:** Father Pat led the council in opening prayer.
2. **UPDATE ON MINISTRY VIDEOS:** 18 completed so far including Marty de Montfort, Brazil Mission, Father's Ministry, PTO and SAC since October's meeting. Discussed having an article in the monthly newsletter and/or weekly ad in bulletin for awareness. Mentioned possibility of playing 1 video per week on Narthex video screen running continuously (muted/captioned).
3. **CALL TO SERVE:** There was a minor problem with the lectors ministry lead not getting emails from interested parishioners. Father Travis forwarded email onto ministry lead with requested information.
4. **THANKSGIVING DINNER:** All banners are up around town. Pat Clarke asked if there is online sign up, but council had confirmed with Buddy that they already had plenty of volunteers.
5. **PARISH SURVEY:** Parish council members were given the plan of action from information gathered from the parish survey (SLDM's 5-year goal). This will be discussed further next meeting.
6. **OPEN FORUM:**
 - Announcement needs to be put in bulletin that we are looking for 3 new parish council members for next year, requesting applications and information about who to talk to if interested. Parish council election of new members in the past has started in November. Current bylaw states that council members are voted on by parishioners (hasn't happened the past 2 years). Would like to offer call to amend this process.
 - Stewardship-Finance report is edited and will be ready to be sent out on December 9th.
 - Steve Schwegmann brought up idea to do a video series "Ask the Priest" where questions can be submitted online and 1 could be answered per week. Streaming on website and/or Narthex video screen.

- Father Travis mentioned videotaping a slow-motion mass for RCIA and put online, explaining all parts of the mass.
- Welcoming committee will be notified by Jerry to place new parishioner pictures on video screen in Narthex.
- Continued problem with parishioners chewing gum during mass, large quantities of chewed gum being placed under pews. Council agreed for comment to be added to announcements at the beginning of mass.

7. CLOSING PRAYER: Father Travis led council in closing prayer.