



ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
10 JANUARY 2017
6:00 PM

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Name	Parish Council Role/Committee	Present (Y/N)
Fr. Augustine DeArmond (FrA)	Parish Pastor	
Fr. Michael O'Rourke	Parochial Vicar	
Deacon Eddie Ramsey (ER)	Ex-officio	
Angela Geekie (AG)	Parish Council Chair	
Jane Scharding-Smedley (JSS)	Choir Director –Ex-officio	
Christina Klyce (CK)	DRE – Ex-officio	
Don Williams	Finance Council Chair	Unable to attend
Vacant	Stewardship	
Vacant (Tim Anderson)	At-large member	
Vacant (Aggie Fratta)	At-large member	
Vacant (Julia Waggoner)	At-large member	
Carla Cook (CC)	At-large member	Not present
Bill Robinson (BR)	At-large member	
Sandra Douglas	At-large member	Not present
Tommie Cervetti (TC)	Liturgy	
Robert Hardwick (RH)	Building and Maintenance	
Gay Landaiche (GL)	Secretary and Discipleship	
Laura Robinson (LR)	Prayer Shawl	Not present
Kathy Anthony (KA)	Ministry to the sick	Not present
Bobbie Rennie (BR)	Archives	Unable to attend
Melissa Esposito (ME)	Young Adults	
Vacant	Hospitality	
Vacant	Outreach	
Leslie Coleman (LC)	Ex-officio Past Council Chair	Not present
Kay Johnson (KJ)	Women's Guild	
Warren Johnson	Membership	

Topic		Discussion Facilitator
Opening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of previous meeting minutes (Nov 2016) 	Fr. Auggie/Fr. Mike All
Parish business updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building improvements Stewardship campaign 	Fr. Auggie
Council Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Members/Filling vacant positions Committee consolidations By-law revision update 	A Geekie and all
Upcoming Events and Committee Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. Martin De Porres Shrine Amazing Parish Conference Lenten schedule Fall activities 	All



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All other business		All
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Mtg called to order at 6:05

Robert moves to approve the November minutes, Warren seconds the motion and the motion carried.

Parish Business:

Our insurance company has issued a check to the St. Peter Literary Society (projected money-our claim is still open) for the gabled roof work. Robert is working with a roof company and a plaster company because plaster work will follow the roof repairs. Ralph Jones sheet metal has been doing the work and we are proceeding with them on the next phase of the project. The St. Peter’s Literary Society and insurance is paying the expenses. Our fire system is being updated and building paperwork is being consolidated. Fr. Mike has provided us with all new internet access in our buildings and our phone system will also be improved. The main air/heating unit for the church needs replacing. The current system is a Freon system that runs on an old type of Freon that is no longer being produced. Robert working on an Request for Proposal (RFP) with local contractors for 2 different types of systems (1. maintaining our current system or 2. replacing it with a chilled water unit). Front end cost on a chilled system will be greater but in the long-term upgrading the old system will cost more. Hope to have pricing back before the end of the first quarter and make a decision by 3/1/17 in order to be ready for warmer weather.

2016 project – closed-circuit TV and electronic access project has been completed.

There is no ac/heat in the east tower (cry room) – Robert will add that to the project bid.

Church overflow for Christmas into the Parish Hall worked well (about 17 folks attended). Will probably do this again for Easter services.

Fr. Mike and Fr. Auggie have contracted with an expert who will come and listen to our services to help us adjust our mics/sound system.



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There was discussion about our liturgical ministers and Jane will work with them to be better prepared.

Stewardship:

About 500 Stewardship letters were sent out in December with about 50 responses. We don't yet know the total number of Secure Give responses. A Ministries letter will go out soon encouraging folks to volunteer throughout our Parish. Fr. Auggie will speak with Dick and Judy Wager soon about leading our Stewardship efforts.

Council Structure:

Although there are several vacant Parish Council seats (3 at-large positions) we do have a New Finance Council Chair, Don Williams. Please send Father Auggie names for him to review for the vacancies by mid-February. An announcement will go out in the bulletin and the flock-notes asking folks to submit nominations. Fr. Auggie and Christina will see if the website manager can add a form to our website to facilitate this process.

We need a comprehensive list of our ministries (to add to the Ministry Fair list).

In Dec., Father Auggie met with Chris Koch from the Diocese about by-laws and he got a lot of information. He will soon meet with Bill Robinson and Sandra Douglas who are on the by-law sub-committee.

Upcoming Events:

Angela requested that we start getting reports at our meetings on the events of the Shrine. Is a gift shop option? On-line shopping? Could we add a dutch-door? Father Mike mostly gets requests for holy cards and thank you cards.

Amazing Parish Conference March 13-15

Father Auggie, Angela, Christina, Dick Wager, and Don Williams will attend. Jeff Cavins is leading the conference.



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Lenten Schedule:

We will continue our Wednesday night series – a short prayer service in the church followed by a meal and different ministry groups will be asked to provide the dinner. The Adult Faith Formation committee has discussed possible topics and St. Mary's Catholic will host the reconciliation service this year (with us and St. Patrick's).

Fall Activities:

Church picnic? Ministries fair?

Rosary Sunday falls on Saturday, October 7th

Chez Dominique – can we consider reinstituting this?

3/31 at 7 pm Bishop Holly will be confirming our eight eighth graders. It will be his first official visit to our church so please encourage folks to attend.

Tommie reported that the Liturgy committee will meet on 1/31 and they would like feedback; especially regarding the holiday liturgies. They are having trouble with people showing up for their responsibilities. Father Mike suggested using the Ministry Scheduler "Pro system" which also has an app.

Other business:

Robert asked about charitable opportunities – is there a better way of conveying information? Some of our parishioners have been working with St. Augustine school (providing tutors and volunteers). Norma Montesi, Kay Clark, Cynthia Pratt, Roxie and Ted Krausser are contacts for this group.

Could bulletin advertising be a revenue generating option? Father Auggie hasn't gotten a good price on this yet. Fr. Mike reported that St. Dominic in New Orleans received approximately \$1500/quarter in their agreement.

The Lay Dominicans are investigating the history of our stained glass windows.



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Organ maintenance – tuned twice/year under contract; there is an endowment fund established by a generous parishioner. 2018 will be the 95th birthday of the organ! Perhaps have an organ series, etc. to commemorate – Jane is looking into this.
Friday, May 19th there will be an organ concert (the musician will also record his music for a CD).

Mtg adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 21st.