



ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
**15 MARCH 2016**  
6:30PM -8:00PM CDT

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Parish Council Role/Committee</b>	<b>Present (Y/N)</b>
Fr. Augustine DeArmond (FrA)	Parish Pastor	Y
Deacon Eddie Ramsey (ER)	Ex-officio	Y
Angela Geekie (AG)	Parish Council Chair	Y
Jane Scharding-Smedley (JSS)	Choir Director –Ex-officio	Unable to attend
Christina Klyce (CK)	DRE – Ex-officio	Y
Ramon Marus (RM)	Finance	Unable to attend
Jim Latta (JL)	Stewardship	Unable to attend
Aggie Fratta (AF)	At-large member	Y
Tim Anderson (TA)	At-large member	Y
Carla Cook (CC)	At-large member	Y
Tommie Cervetti (TC)	Liturgy	Unable to attend
Robert Hardwick (RH)	Building and Maintenance	Y
Gay Landaiche (GL)	Secretary and Discipleship	Y
Laura Robinson (LR)	Prayer Shawl	Y
Bill Robinson (BR)	At-Large	Y
Warren Johnson (WJ)	New Member Outreach	Unable to attend
Kathy Anthony (KA)	Ministry to the sick	Unable to attend
Bobbie Rennie (BR)	Archives	Y
Melissa Espisito (ME)	Young Adults	Unable to attend
Melissa Peterson (MP)	Hospitality	Y
Sandra Douglas (SD)	At-large	Y
Julia Waggoner (JW)	Youth Group	Y
Leslie Coleman (LC)	Ex-officio Past Council Chair	Unable to attend
Kay Johnson (KJ)	Women’s Guild	Y

<b>CST Time (PM)</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion Facilitator</b>
6:30-8:00	Parish Update and New Business	Fr. Auggie
	Committee Updates	All
	Ministry Fair	All
	Discipleship Update	Angela and Gay
	New Business	All
	Review of Action items and Wrap-up	All



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### **Parish Update and New Business:**

**General Parish Update** – Fr. Auggie reported that student brother Thomas More will be assigned to St. Peter’s this summer (he will be ordained on 5/14/16). Fr. Auggie will be at UC Berkley studying from the 1<sup>st</sup> week of June through the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of August (he said that as part of his agreement to remain at St. Peter’s longer he will spend summers furthering his education). Fr. Auggie will be in class from 8-4 every day and any emails sent to him will be forwarded automatically to his secretary Lori.

### **Committee Updates**

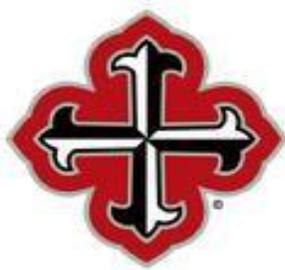
Angela asked that we keep reports succinct (like an “elevator speech”). Please bring things to the council that need discussion and/or support. If you are unable to attend a meeting, please send your report to Angela, Fr. Auggie or Gay.

**Women’s Guild** – Kay reported that the recently revived Guild is averaging about 50 ladies in attendance. They are looking for folks to serve for next year. Angela noted that we need to get the Men’s Group going again.

**Note:** Fr. Auggie reported for several committee chairs who were not able to attend tonight’s meeting.

**Finance Committee** – Fr. Auggie shared a parish financial statement and he noted that our online giving system is taking off: online giving income matched income from the traditional offertory.

**Stewardship** – Fr. Auggie gave this report and stated that the committee has reviewed pledges for giving (there are quite a few folks who haven’t responded or pledged and Brenda is going to query them specifically and then Fr. Auggie will follow-up with an additional letter). “No commitment, no ownership” - Pledges are also pulling from online giving but only 4 have pledged through secure giving online. “Stewardship of prayer” drive will be discussed at their next committee meeting. Update to be discussed at next Parish Council meeting.



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**Ministry Fair** – Fr. Auggie reported for Adele that the Ministry heads pitched in and it was a success. Sign in sheets need to be copied and then turned in to the office.

Melissa Petersen pointed out that she had several people agree to sign up for hospitality because the shifts aren't weekly but are often on an "as needed" schedule.

As a side note Kay pointed out later in the meeting that the Saturday 5 pm mass attendees especially enjoyed the mixing and mingling after the service (they served wine and cheese).

**Liturgy** – Fr. Auggie reviewed the planned Holy Week schedule and Christina passed out a survey to be completed by Parish Council members from Jane regarding the "Wednesday's in Lent" activities this year (the Liturgy committee, and Wednesday night attendees will also get a copy of the survey to complete).

**Bldg and Maintenance** –

**Roof repair** - Robert Hardwick noted that only the apron roof needs to be repaired (the copper part) and that will cost about \$77,000 (down from the originally estimate of about \$800,000). The contract has been given to the contractor and we are waiting to hear from them when they can begin work. We will use the "savings" to make repairs to the inside of the church. The roof should last for many more years and will be inspected annually. The roof of sacristy is leaking and a different company will be working on this project as this is a different type of roof.

**Access control to the church and shrine** – A low voltage contractor is on site running wires (cost about \$1700), they will be followed by a security company which will install cameras and HID devices (like card/fob access). The shrine will have a biometric reader. Cameras and a voice over IP phone system will be added by the Shrine entrance to allow folks entry to the Shrine. An exit button by the gate will also be added. The equipment for this project has been donated and Robert will supervise the work.

Laura Robinson asked whether money can be used to modernize the a/v equipment in the parish hall. Fr. Auggie noted that he is looking in to this, improving connectivity, and the audio in the sanctuary.



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**Hospitality** - Melissa has cleaned out lots of glassware and plates from the kitchen and she asked the council to let her know if we are aware of anyone who might need these items. We will contact Dorothy Day or the St. Vincent de Paul society as well. There are salad plates for 100 or so folks, 100 bowls, 100 mugs.

A closet also contains church tablecloths to be used for church activities and the cloths must be laundered and hung after use (round tablecloths and some square overlays).

**Archives** – Bobbie Rennie said that about 7-8 folks signed up for her committee at the ministry fair. Several of them are new to our parish. One person is interested in doing videos, one is a photographer and another was interested in genealogy and history. Rennie expressed concern about organizing her allocated closet space in the church. Discussion followed and it was suggested that we have designated and labeled spaces for necessary committees to monitor.

Melissa suggested that we begin having people check out use of the kitchen and monitor to ensure that things are organized in the refrigerator and on the kitchen counters.

Julia recommended that we schedule a “Parish Council workday” in which all committee heads gather and help organize the church spaces.

We discussed the need to have the Archives kept in a climate/humidity-controlled space – either off-site or on-site. The church vestments need to be cleaned specially and preserved and we need a new source for this as the previous cleaners is now out-of-business. It was mentioned that we have art curators in our community that we could consult with about this.

Fr. Auggie noted that there is some “175 celebration” money remaining and it was dedicated for the archive (like the money donated by Laura’s family for the 175 video).

**Religious Education** - Christina reported that she plans to email us a list of RCIA candidates so that we can send them personal notes. There will be a celebration on Holy Saturday following that evening’s service. It was suggested that perhaps Beth Talbert could help with the party.



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**Prayer Shawl** - Laura has ordered labels “With love and prayers from St. Peter’s” to be included with the blankets her group is making.

**General Discussion** –

**Discipleship** – As a follow-up to our parish council retreat to Our Lady Queen of Peace in January we talked about our evangelization efforts.

An Alpha course is winding down at our church. The original intent of the program was to expose people to Christianity but it has broadened its use to Catholic churches (a new video series specific to the Catholic church is coming out this summer). Angela explained that at a church in Michigan (Our Lady of Good Counsel) 86% of the folks who attend there have attended an Alpha course. Fr. Auggie noted it is important to have geographically convenient places for the sessions and Christina suggested listing courses at other churches as options in our bulletin and website.

Bill recommended that the parish council go through the program and Robert suggested doing it this summer. Angela will send out a doodle sign-up sheet with date options and locations will be investigated (perhaps this could serve as our parish council retreat?).

**In conclusion**, Fr. Auggie asked Parish Council members to think about their ministries and committees. Consider how long you have served and notify him know if you would like to continue serving or if you have ideas of individuals who could succeed you or serve as new committee members. He noted that we don’t want to burn anyone out☺

Send Angela suggestions/ideas for our next meeting (May 10<sup>th</sup>).

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm