**St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church**

**Transfiguration of Our Lord Mission**

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

**Council Members**

Fr. Johnson 859-391-2098 Deacon Mike Keller- 859-485-1488 Jeff Fremin- 502-525-6882 (6/19)

Don Wright-502-514-1033 (6/18) Kathy Bieger-502-525-1780 (6/19) Jim O’Neill-859-948-9770 (6/19)

Jeane Shepherd 502-662-2661 (6/19) Alan Harsin 502-649-3707-(6/20) Brian Frye-502-419-1768-(6/20)

Eloy Fuentes-859-652-4382 (6/20) Tom Buchanan-502-682-6523-(6/18)

**Minutes**

Date 9-5-2017

**Call to Order:** Jeff Fremin

**Members Present:**

Jim O’Neil, Jeff Fremin, Alan Harsin, Deacon Mike Keller, Don Wright, Tom Buchanan, Kathy Bieger, Father Johnson, Brian Frye, Jeanie Shepherd

**Opening Prayer:** Father Johnson

**Review/Approval of Minutes:** No corrections were made to the minutes. Don made motion to approve. Tom Buchanan seconded

**Old Business:**

* **Building and Grounds**
* Bids on Parish Hall flooring-Don reported the floor is complete
* Bees-Father said this Saturday that someone will look at the area. In addition someone came and fixed lighting to face the altar.
* Beautification-Someone came and showed how to thin the Rosary garden. This should be done yearly in July or August.
* **Liturgy**
* Servers-September 27 there will be training for servers. It will be 30 minutes.
* Recognition for servers- Father will be developing a point system servers can earn.
* Music-Jeanie reported there are 5 new choir members. The Music Ministry will be using more guitar. And Jeanie will be look into at adding drums when. Jeff asked if Jeanie listens to Catholic playlist. Jeanie said that you can buy a reprint license for other songs. It would be the cost of paper and copying. Jeanie is looking into adding a member who plays trumpet and flute. Jeanie said most parishes pay for professional musicians. Deacon Mike said we could look into paying during the holidays.
* RCIA-A sophomore level student that is dating a parishioner wants to attend. RCIA will start in September
* Welcoming committee-Alan will get an answer if he/she will accept the responsibility of chairing the committee.
* Training for Extraordinary Minister will be September 18-19. Deacon Mike said we need to recruit for extra people.

**Outreach**

* Wi-Fi in Parish Hall-Brian shared that WiFi is working in the basement. Don shared we are switching from ATT to Spectrum. It will allow Father to get a signal in the Rectory as well. Father shared that the prices are reasonable. There will be two phone lines and one fax. The phone numbers will stay the same. The cost is $144 a month. There will be no contract. This is less than ATT. It will be starting at the end of September.
* Friendship Weekend August 12 &13-Alan shared on Saturday there was 9 people. Sunday there was a larger crowd. Father believes people don’t stay on Saturday because they are going to dinner. Jeanie said that having it upstairs, at least one person wasn’t able to attend because she couldn’t go upstairs.. Jeanie also discussed that when we had adult formation on Saturday we would have from 10-20 people that would attend.

**Hispanic Community**

Don said the Hispanic community is having dinner Sunday, September 17. It is in the

bulletin and will be announced in Church.

Deacon Mike shared that Hispanic Mass at Point Park was very nice. It appeared

that there was a higher attendance than the typical of Hispanic Mass. Father said there

was the appropriate respect for the Eucharist.

**Committee Reports:**

**New Business:**

* Deanery Report-Mike O’Neal shared that the document Synod of Bishops states we need to “shake up and wake up” to reach our youth. We shouldn’t worry about dress. Father shared that the Church is growing with Latin American families. Jim shares that the document says we need to reach out to 16 to 29 year olds. Jeff stated that many youth like Eucharistic Adoration. The young people like the quiet and contemplation. Jeanie said that Steve Glauber’s son is part of an inner faith music group that also does faith sharing. Father said that children don’t face the same kind of difficulties that had occurred in the past. Faith is growing in ~~European~~ African and Latin American countries because it is the Church that provides a support. Are the families expecting their children to go to church?
* Parish Picnic-Women’s group is organizing a picnic for October 29, 1-4 PM. Terri Mounce scheduled the date. The picnic date will be advertised in the bulletin.
* Parish Finance-Alan had requested this agenda item. He feels that the financial information needs to be shared periodically through the year. Don said that the budget runs from July to July. Jim said that Parish Council is advisory and isn’t responsible for finance. The Finance Committee has that responsibility. Father felt there was no problem sharing financial information. It would be best to share the financial information with Parish Council. Don said the Finance Committee meets quarterly. Alan requested that we get a report the month after the most recent meeting. Father said a recent report of finances were sent o the diocese in August.
* Calendar -Alan said we are not seeing if items are conflicting. Other Churches get the different groups together to share schedules. Alan suggested that we have an electronic calendar. Don felt it should be part of our website. Events could be added to the website through Don. Don said we can easily set up a calendar of events. All people would have to do is e-mail Don about the event. Don would check with Father Johnson if items can be added. Father said that if people take photos it can be added to the website of different events. Don said we already have pictures on the website. Don said that he is not having people send him pictures that he can select to upload. Jim said that when we use Facebook to push out dates of events. The calendar can include times Father will be out of town. The calendar can also include holy days.
* Jeff went through Parish Council upcoming meetings. Parish Council meetings will be

after 6 PM Mass.

October 3

November 7

December 5

January 2

February 6

March 6

April 3

May 1

June 5

* Requested for next month’s agenda
* Deacon Mike will give Virtus training next month. We have a number of people who haven’t kept up with training. Three times a year there are open months where people can make up training. Deacon Mike said we will probably be audited and we will have some concerns.
* Don needs a chairperson and co-chairperson for DPAA. Someone needs to be in place by next month. Father will ask someone to be chairperson.

**Pastor’s Comments:**

1. Father expressed his thanks for everyone’s contribution to DPAA
2. He congratulated Jeanie for growing the choir.
3. The Women’s group is helping the church.
4. Father will attend a retreat Oct. 9-13. He will be back Friday evening.
5. Cemetery visitation will be Sunday, November 5 after 9:00 AM Mass.
6. October is dedicated to Mary. Also, Rosary before Mass is being well attended.
7. Father is looking for a day in October to have the Rosary in the Rosary garden. It can be Friday, October 13 before evening Mass. It will start at 5:15 PM.
8. The Church community is collecting items for Houston.
9. There is a second collection next Sunday that will be sent to the diocese for Hurricane relief.
10. We have made a new registration form for new members. Also, we will be updating directory information for parishioners.

**Closing Prayer:** Father Johnson

**Adjournment:** Deacon Mike motioned to adjourn. Tom Buchanan seconded.

**Next meeting –October 3, 2017**