

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
Minutes

September 13, 2016

**Welcome:** Bette, chairperson, welcomed all.

**Opening Prayer:** "*Connected in the Spirit*" prayer

**Roll Call:** Father Day, Bette Buechler, Rita Smith, Leslie Smith, Brad Denman, Merle Kruer, Sharon Schmidt, Cathy Graninger, Darlene McCoy, Larry Buechler, Vicki Waterbury

**Excused:** Tracy Martin, Lisa Heck, Betty Roll, Patrick Oster, Mike Cundiff

**Approval of Minutes:** Merle made motion to approve minutes. Rita seconded. All approved.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**United Catholic Appeal/Christ Our Hope 2016/2017**

Our goal is the same as last year, \$10,317. Intention weekend will be Saturday/Sunday, November 12/13. Father Day hopes that we can exceed this goal again this year!

***Connected in the Spirit* update**

Town Hall meetings went well. Our Cohort Response Form to Preliminary Recommendations was submitted to Archdiocese prior to the due date of September 12, 2016.

**Thank You note from St. John Paul II Haiti Committee:**

Father Day read Thank You note from Debbie Wise.

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

**Catholic Faith Formation Ministry**

Sharon's report:

We have 20 students this year. We will not have a First Communion Preparation class this year but will have a larger class next year.

**Catholic Youth Ministry**

Vicki's report:

St. John's first year of the Barnabas Program is off and running! We have 9 college students matched with 9 Barnabas individuals and families. Their addresses were shared a few weeks ago, so most of the students should be receiving their first cards and packages soon. Also, their

information was shared with the New Albany Deanery Youth Ministry office which sends out College Youth Ministry info, small care packages, and prayer cards. I helped the deanery office stuff 110 envelopes today that included small packages of pretzels, pencils, candy, prayer packages, and more that a group of youth ministers donate to.

Tonight we had a "Burrito Roll" that was open to both parish's youth groups at St Mary's Navilleton Parish Hall Kitchen, including middle and high school students. Last time we made burritos it was at St. John's kitchen. We will make around 100 breakfast burritos that will be frozen, and heated for delivery on Saturday, Sept. 24 to homeless individuals in Louisville. It costs around \$80 for supplies, so I have asked the kids to bring \$5 to offset the cost. We will see if they remember!!!

This Sunday we are starting our High School Faith Formation classes. They will be at the same time as the younger kids, 8:50-9:50 am, in the Youth Room upstairs of the gym. All of the high school youth are invited to come. However, anyone planning to be Confirmed next year, must attend Faith Formation this year.

To any adult that is interested in attending, the New Albany Deanery is hosting the annual Work of Angels Dinner at Huber's Orchard and Winery next Tuesday, Sept. 20. It is 6-9 pm. I am supposed to call and remind a list of people that the deanery has listed, however anyone can attend. Please let me know if you are interested and I will add you to the guest list. It is a nice dinner, with guest speakers and then they ask for pledges and donations at the end of the night for the New Albany Deanery Catholic Youth Ministry. This year, Emily Koetter, will be one of the students speaking! Fr. Day and I will not be able to attend this year due to meetings and I will be out of town.

Finally this month, I am hoping to get a group of high school youth to attend the Youth Mass at Schickel Farms in Lanesville on Sept. 25 at 6 pm. It is a wonderful setting outside on their hillside, followed by a hayride, chili supper, and games.

### **Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry**

Cathy's report:

Items discussed: Calendar-Weekdays Sept. 21-27, Father will be on vacation. Communion services only. Father Bill Ernst will be here for the weekend of Sept. 24 and 25.

Baby Bottle Boomerang-Respect Life Oct. 2. Marilyn Rowan will coordinate.

Daily and Sunday Rosary in the month of October. Merle will schedule those leading the rosary.

November Book of Remembrance-Five parishioners have passed this year. Families are asked to light the candle for the deceased family member on Tuesday, November 1.

Eucharistic Ministers-Four new members have been trained and are ready for scheduling.

Lectors-Workbooks for 2017 have been ordered.

Music-New annual hymnals have been ordered (300 books).

Altar Servers-Father has trained four new servers.

Next liturgical meeting is October 4, 2016.

## **Buildings and Grounds Ministry**

Larry's report:

Self-Inspection Process: Father has answered questions for inspections.

New chairs for parish hall: Discussion; Motion made by Cathy Graninger to order 500 new chairs and dollies. Motion seconded by Brad Denman. \$7,989 + freight \$525 = \$8,514. Motion approved, no one opposed. (enclosed information)

Status of Striping and Paving: Father is signing contract with Lib's Paving for \$800. White stripes added, etc.

Cemetery Sub-Committee Report: Reviewed every three years; 2017 it will be reviewed. And updated making sure it is clear and concise.

## **Finance Council**

Merle's report:

The balance in the general account is approximately \$49,898.64 and the balance in the gaming account is approximately \$20,583.03.

The Finance Council did not meet in August. However via email the fourth quarter financial report and the annual report were reviewed and approved. The quarterly report was included in the bulletin for our parishioners to review. The annual report was submitted to the Archdiocese well before the September 15 due date.

The next Finance Council meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2016 and all were invited to attend.

## **Stewardship**

Lisa's report: no report

## **What needs to be communicated?**

Paving of the parking lot

Quote on the new chairs/dollies

Next Executive meeting is October 4, 2016, at 6 pm.

Next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at 7 p.m.

Father led us in closing prayers, "Jubilee Year of Mercy".