

Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
Parish Council Meeting  
Thursday, March 15, 2018

1. Opening Prayer

Parish members present: Father Bob, Bill Van Nuland, Brian Dresang, Sheila Blair, Don Maes, Carol Boots and Roy Verstegen.

2. Roy Verstegen, Trustee from Finance Council, reviewed the Liability Control-Liquor Liability currently in place for functions held on Parish property. When liquor is introduced into the event, significant liability exposure exists. To get a clearer picture of the liability exposure, Roy Verstegen will contact Bob Burns, Diocese Attorney for advice/answers. This will be addressed again at the April 26, 2018 meeting.

3. Parish Pastoral Council policy requires the Parish Council and the Finance Council to have an annual joint meeting. This joint meeting will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018. Parish priorities will be discussed and the proposed budget for the coming year will be reviewed.

4. ALPHA - Film #7 - How Does God Guide Us? The film was discussed and those present joined in relating their thoughts and insights on how God has guided us in our lives.

5. Liaison Reports

Don Maes - Faith Formation. A Faith Formation committee has been formed and a meeting was held with three people present. No further information.

The Parish Council does not have a council liaison for Social Concerns. Don was asked if he would be consent to add this to his duties and he kindly accepted. Thank You Don.

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Carol Boots - Youth Ministry. CHWC is busy fundraising and final prep is under way. Brat Fry's will be held on Saturday through April and May in front of the Darboy School. A large donation was received in memory of Laura Van Asten. A scholarship in her name is being established and will be offered to any camper(s) who recruit a new camper.

Badminton intramurals have wrapped up a fun and competitive season.

Chazoo Warriors spent meeting time reviewing what works and what can be done better. Active recruitment of new members has begun. They are also getting ready to lead the Passion of Jesus Retreat as well as an 8th grade RE Discipleship Retreat.

CYO ended another big year. A goal of 250 youth was set and 252 youth participated in an active and full gym every Saturday.

Youth and Family Mass - we continue to invite new youth to take leadership roles and attend Mass. The youth handed out little Invite Cards at the last Fish Fry. This was effective as we saw many new faces and received positive comments at the last Mass. Will do a pilot earlier Mass starting at 5:15 pm in Spring and see how that goes.

Young adults - will be meeting with a group of young adults from the Parish to begin conversation on how to create a young adult culture at HSP. This will tentatively take place on March 26, 2018 at Anduzzis.

Middle School monthly events, HS outreach, ice cream at classes, open gym nights, lunch at Culver's, Fish Frys, retreats....all projects we are working on/wrapping up/promoting. Never a dull moment in YM!

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Education - Bill Van Nuland. Met on March 20, 2018. The Strategic Vision currently in place is not working. Moving forward a new Strategic Vision is being forged out.

The Athletic Committee held a public meeting regarding the new gym floor. Many questions were raised about concerns regarding existing uses of the gym. Existing uses will not be affected.

The Step-Up Masses would like to have an opportunity to give back to the Parish by having a Mass at a regular Mass. This could be once a quarter or whatever would work.

Stewardship - Father Bob. Soup and Stations continue to be held on Fridays during Lent. Would like to see more people attend.

Work is being done on a new calendaring system for the Parish.

Liturgy - Sheila Blair. Meeting held March 1, 2018. Plans for Holy Week/ Easter were discussed and finalized. There will be an extra Mass for Easter: 7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass; 7:00 am at Darboy; 9:00 am and 10:30 am Mass at Kimberly.

Preparations are under way for visits to the homebound and sick, bringing cards, Palms and little white Easter books.

A healing Mass will be hold on May 3, 2018

Building & Grounds - Brian Dresang. No report.

New Business - Discussed whether Knights of Columbus would charter the Boy Scouts at Holy Spirit. If so, they would be assigned to a Ministry. There are only 12 boys fro HS involved at this time. Questioned as to what is the cost to charter a troop? This will be discussed further at the next Parish Council Meeting.

Meeting Adjourned - 8:20 pm