

# St. Timothy Parish

## Parish Council Minutes: June 1, 2016

**Members Present: Fr. Rick Bolte, Trey Nix, Jack Lundy, Paul Westhoff, Jenny Yuskewich, Michael Vogt, Phil Sheehy, Jason Putnam**

**Members Absent: Sue Keller**

Call to Order Trey Nix	In the absence of Sue Keller, chairwoman, Vice-Chairman Trey Nix presided.
Prayer for Guidance Fr. Rick Bolte, All	The prayer for the school was used to open the meeting.
Finance Committee Report (TBD)	Father Bolte described some of the problems with the Parish Data System. The most difficult problem being the embedding of financial data which makes follow-up of accounts difficult. Father also indicated that the parish reserves were down to \$83,000. The previous balance of the reserve account was \$140,000. The final meeting of the parish council will be to approve the budget for coming fiscal year in June.
Approval of Minutes for May	Phil Sheehy moved that the minutes be approved for May as printed. Michael Vogt seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the council.
<b>Pillar Reports</b>	
Worship Fr. Rick Bolte	The decorating committee has done a marvelous job with the banners etc. They will be adding some purple/gold to the current look for the ground breaking of the school. The ceremonial shovel that was used for the ground breaking of the Parish Center and the Church was found and will be used in the ground breaking ceremonies for the new school.
Outreach Paul Westhoff	"The Longest Yard Sale" netted \$6,100.00. The Pillar Committee is interested in expanding the services of the St. Vincent de Paul outreach within the parish. The council is requesting clarification of plans as a St. Vincent de Paul Society is currently active. The "Home Mission" will take place in July.
Adult Faith Formation Jenny Yuskewich	The next meeting of the Adult Faith Pillar will be in August. Being planned is a Divine Mercy Mission Trip to Strasburg will also include a tour of the Norman Rockwell Museum and Niagara Falls. The National Day of Prayer was successfully held. The Blessing of Pets is planned for October.
Youth Faith Formation Michael Vogt	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A number of parish graduates represented many schools in the diocese.</li><li>2. Ten students assisted at the Mary Rose Mission.</li><li>3. The "Second Annual Lock-in" was also successful.</li></ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Many of the parish youth are participating in the care of the Parish Garden.</li> <li>5. Several youth are going on the Mission Trip to Mississippi.</li> </ol>
<p>Education Trey Nix</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 260 PSR students are enrolled.</li> <li>2. Youth Conference is being held January 23, 2017.</li> <li>3. The school curriculum is in the process of being updated.</li> <li>4. A “Saint’s Celebration” is being planned.</li> <li>5. The Parish Center is getting a thorough cleaning.</li> </ol>
<p>Community Phil Sheehy</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bible Vacation School is about to start.</li> <li>2. Ground Breaking for the school is planned.</li> <li>3. Attendance at the Ministry Fair was well attended, but the people were more selective in their choices of things to see (Choral Concert, Spaghetti Supper, and Retirement of Colors).</li> </ol> <p>See also Pastor’s Report</p>
<p>Diocèse Parish Council Representative Michael Vogt</p>	<p>Although there was no meeting to report, it was noted that Fr. Daniel Shomaker has been appointed to the Walton Parish with responsibilities as Dean. It is expected that regular meetings will be held.</p>
<p>Pastor’s Report Fr. Rick Bolte</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Personnel Update</li> <li>2. School Bids</li> <li>3. Barn update</li> <li>4. Fund-Raising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ New Altar Vessels</li> <li>○ Baptismal font vessels</li> <li>○ New Vestments</li> <li>○ Plaques and statues for school</li> <li>○ Plaques around flagpole</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. After meeting with Fr. Eric Andriot, the new assistant pastor, a decision was made not to add Sunday masses during the summer, but to try having a ministry of groups within the parish.</li> <li>2. As a result of the parish Discernment Process, all pillar positions were filled with the following exceptions: one member is still needed for the Worship Pillar and three members are needed for the Community Pillar.</li> <li>3. Father accepted the resignation of Tony Wagner. It is anticipated that Fr. Eric will assume some of those duties with the continued hopes that more things can develop for the New Generation (18-30).</li> <li>4. The bishop has approved the contract bid and contracts are expected to be signed within the week.</li> <li>5. The “Technology Package” is being negotiated separately from the school bid with local providers. It has been taken out of the school construction cost. Even so, \$25,000 is needed to be raised to fund the current contract.</li> <li>6. Father indicated that he is hoping that an additional \$230,000 can be raised in order that the two planned additional classrooms can be part of this construction effort.</li> <li>7. Also rejected from the current bid was the fence around the pond.</li> <li>8. The barn has been completed.</li> <li>9. Hopes for a gymnasium are in order.</li> <li>10. Several fund raising efforts were discussed which included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tabernacle donation</li> <li>● New altar vessels</li> <li>● Holy Water fonts for side entrances</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New vestments</li> <li>• Naming of classrooms</li> <li>• Outfitting the classrooms in the school with statues of saints, crucifixes, and flags</li> <li>• Design of a heritage wall around the flagpole area</li> <li>• Donation of exterior flags and pole(s).</li> </ul> <p>Father would like for the improvements within the church to be an opportunity to re-educate the parish about the Eucharist and Baptism.</p> <p>On-going between Father Bolte and Father Eric is how to integrate Father Eric into parish activities and worship.</p>
<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p>No old business</p>
<p><b>New Business— Discernment of Parish Council Officers</b></p>	<p>Officers for Parish Council are as follows: Jenny Yuskewich will be the council chairman, Jason Putnam will be the Vice-Chairman, Jack Lundy will be the secretary, and Michael Vogt will be the Parish Representative to the deanery and synod. Leaving the council upon completion of their terms are: Paul Westhoff, Trey Nix and Phil Sheehy. New Representatives from the Pillars will take office in June. A special meeting will take place to approve the Parish Budget. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be August 3, 2016.</p>
<p><b>Closing Prayer</b> <b>All</b></p>	<p>Father, We give you thanks that you have allowed us to work together and serve you during this meeting. We ask your blessing upon our endeavors, and upon all present today. May your love and grace continue to guide us, in everything that we do—today and in the future. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.</p>

In Gratitude for the Faithful Service to the Parish Council, we cause...

## *St. Timothy Parish*

### *Pillar Reports for June 2016*

#### **Outreach Pillar Report**

Paul Westhoff, Reporting

- Jennifer Fedders, Secretary
- VBS/Groundbreaking advertising is in full force. We are hoping for a great turnout.
- The Find your Ministry Fair was under attended, we think it is mainly due to time of year but we are going to continue discussions about it.
- Oktoberfest planning is underway, sponsorships are being secured and we are trying to look ahead to construction challenges we will have to consider.

#### **Adult Faith Pillar Report**

Jenny Yuskewich

- **Next Meeting** - Will not be meeting in June or July. Next meeting will be the end of August.
- **Divine Mercy Series** - has been attended by 15 people. All have been very happy that they decided to come to this series. It has helped us all to know about things in our catholic faith.
- **Bus Tour** - The Divine Mercy series has brought about a bus tour to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Strasburg, Massachusetts, October 13-16. Fr. Bolte has agreed to go with us and say Mass at the Shrine. We will also see the Norman Rockwell museum and spend Saturday night at Niagara Falls. We will be in the gathering space on June 11-12 for signups.
- **National Day of Prayer** - was very well put on. We all wished it would become a bigger event. We all need to Unite and pray for all people.
- **Blessing of Pets** - Hope to set up the blessing of the Pets in October.
- **Invited people from other groups** - but no one came. Will try again in August.
- **2017 Activities** - We will discuss in August what we want to do in 2017.
- **Mission fair** - brought 1 person who might be interested. Will invite them to the meeting in August.

## **Youth Faith Formation**

Michael Vogt, Reporting

- Youth have been busy. We had a handful of Seniors graduate.

Ryan Divine Covington Latin

Jessica Saner Ryle

Annie Dies St. Henry

Audrey Fields Notre Dame

- We had 10 Youth and myself work the Mary Rose Mission last month and it was a great success
- We had our second annual Lock in at the beginning of this month and it was a great success
- Working in the Fr. Ruschman Garden of Gratitude
- Working Vacation Bible School and closing Mass with Bishop Foy
- Summer Mission Trip to Mississippi
- Having Fr. Eric participate in our Youth Group will be great.

## **ST. TIMOTHY PSR**

**Trey Nix, Reporting**

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

Carol S. Lense, Recording

### **PSR grades 1 - 8**

#### **Sunday Preschool and - Kindergarten**

#### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

#### **Preparing for next year:**

- We have over 260 students registered for the 2016 -2017 PSR year. We have already confirmed the majority of our Catechist Volunteers.
- The Confirmation Date has been set for Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

- We are working on completing the paperwork and data entry for this year.
- We are currently updating our curriculum, we are utilizing the Diocesan guidelines, formed and of course “Pinterest” to keep up with the hot trends and keep our program appealing.
- The PSR program this year will include a
  - Saint Celebration on Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Youth Greeter Month in October
  - Adoration opportunities
  - Service Learning Project for Alternative Christmas Fair
  - Increased awareness of Mass attendance and reconciliation

## **Outreach Committee**

### **May 12, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

In Attendance: Mary Jo Rehtin, Carolyn Rennekamp, Rosalie Hentz, and Katy Sullivan.

Mary Jo called the meeting to order and the Mission Prayer was said.

There was no quorum present so April minutes were not approved nor were we able to vote on any business.

#### **Old Business:**

We are still in need of food items, and volunteers to serve & cook for Mary Rose Mission this month, May 22.

Carolyn reported there was a large turnout to plant the Fr. Rushman Garden, including several Boy Scouts. Planting went well, but the garden needs more weeding.

SVDP-There is a need for more food and assistance with bills. Tax return checks are spent & the need for home visits has increased this month.

A parishoner has donated a car to a single mother in need of transportation. Katy has seen an increase of walk ins seeking aid.

June Mission Trip- A bus has been chartered and there are still openings for volunteers, especially the youth. Our choirs will perform in concert and afterwards there will be a spaghetti dinner in Brodnick Hall. The proceeds will go to defray the cost of the Mission Trip.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

We hope to provide Outreach to RA Jones Middle School in the form of a summer and a fall project that would involve the students. Anyone wishing to participate must have a background check which will cost \$25. This is a state requirement. Some suggestions for projects were starting a group club, such as a photo club, tutoring after school, and team sports.

Family Promise (Formerly Interfaith Hospitality Network), volunteering will begin. It will take place in the former convent at St. Agnes School. Participants will be provided with a bed/bath and dinner for the night & breakfast in the morning. The families will make lunch for themselves and we will cook the dinner and help with breakfast. We need 3 families or 14 people to assist each month with this project. Ideally we will need one male & one female volunteer to sleep over with the clients.

Empty Grant Month; Suggested that the intended grant money possibly be used to pay for the background check for volunteers.

May Grant Project - Be Concerned- Rosalie reported we could have used more volunteers due to the high number (300) of shopping carts we were requested to assemble. We were able to complete 150 carts after 9:30 AM Mass. The Boy Scouts, under the direction of Jerry Daugherty offered to complete the project. Although we hoped to be able to have St. Timothy volunteers meet some of the cart recipients, a final date could not be finalized, so the gathering was cancelled.

Ministry Fair will be held May 21 in Brodnick Hall. Katy still needs leaders for the various booths to explain various projects.

The final check to St. Charles in Africa has still not been sent to Sister. Today, Katy has notified Sister that the children of St. Charles can no longer receive monetary assistance from St Timothy's Outreach.

New Business: Care Net- The Baby Bottle campaign will begin this month.

Cross the Bridge for Life will be held on June 5. All are encouraged to attend.

Katy will send out notices to past Grant applicants to remind them of the date deadline of September 9, 2016 for next year.

Parish Council - A member from the Outreach Committee will serve on Parish Council this year. Mary Jo would like to be considered as a volunteer.

Discernment for Outreach Committee Members will take place this month to replace Lisa and Rosalie who have served their three years.

July Grant Project will be headed by Kris Lawler.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

The next meeting will be June 2, 2016

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosalie Hentz for  
Rebecca Hill, Secretary.