

St. Timothy Parish Council Minutes

December 4, 2015

Call to Order	Sue Keller	
Opening Prayer	Jenny Yuskewich	Prayer for Guidance
Finance Committee Report	Fr. Bolte	The Finance Committee reviewed the available resources to employ a person to establish a young adult program. See also Fr. Bolte, discussion.
Approval of October/November Minutes	Jack Lundy	Corrections were made to the minutes. Minutes with corrections was moved by Paul Westhoff and seconded by Trey Hix. Minutes were approved.
Pillar Reports		
Worship	Bob Siracuse Reporting for Bob Siracuse: Sue Keller	Topics discussed were: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Installation of new hymn boards2. Rearranging the toe strips for the steps leading to the altar3. Integrating the adult faith ministry into the parish4. Meeting targets for school5. Continuing to improve Christmas décor6. Banners for Pentecost and Church Partners

		<p>7. Decorating the church for Christmas</p> <p>8. Bereavement</p> <p>9. Music including reconciliation, thanksgiving mass, Immaculate Conception Feast day, and confirmation.</p> <p>10. New business included the approval of the tabernacle move and design as well as the use of the chapel area.</p>
Outreach	Paul Westhoff	<p>Topics discussed were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Garden harvest 2. Volunteers for the Mary Rose Mission 3. Thanksgiving day collection of food 4. Christmas Giving Tree 5. Alternative Christmas bizarre to be held on Dec. 6th 6. Volunteers enjoyment of work at the Brighton Center 7. November Grant Recipient at DCCH.
Adult Faith Formation	Jenny Yuskewich	<p>Topics discussed were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Integration of the Adult Faith Committee with other committees and working with the new Young Adult Ministry 2. Reviewed retreat given by Fr. Maher

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Bible Study focusing on “The Passion” during lent 4. Request for additional volunteers for the committee 5. Use of Symbolon (Formed) with a study group organized by Deacon Profit 6. Sale of advent wreaths 7. Continuing discussion of “Awaken the Dreamer” to be held at St. Anne’s Convent 8. Articles to be in “The Companion” dealing with people coming back to the church 9. Deacon Philbrick will be publishing articles as to the reason certain things are done in church.
Youth Faith Formation	Michael Vogt	<p>Paul Dierig reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There were three regular Youth Meetings for the October and November. New members continue to join 2. The Diocesan wide Lock in Lazer Craze was a success 3. Adoration is to start Sunday with one of the deacons leading the adoration

		<p>4. Eight youth volunteered at the Mary Rose Mission</p> <p>5. The Youth Group helped to set up Christmas decorations at the Diocesan Catholic Children’s home.</p> <p>6. 11 youth are planning to make the March for Life Trip to Washington D.C.</p>
Education	Trey Nix	<p>Pillar Report for Preschool and Kindergarten</p> <p>Topics discussed were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Success of the Youth Greeter Month 2. The Alternative Christmas Fair 3. December Outreach to focus on veterans 4. PSR classes are to create wooden plank Christmas trees 5. First Reconciliation Sacrament will be celebrated during the week of Dec. 16th 6. Persons taking RCIA classes continue to increase in number 7. Children’s Liturgy of the word needs additional volunteers 8. Over 35 children are involved in Sunday Preschool.

		<p>9. Confirmation retreat will be held January 9th</p> <p>10. Confirmation is scheduled for February 1st. 78 people will receive the sacrament of confirmation</p> <p>11. The Jesus Retreat for RCIC children is scheduled for March 13th</p> <p>12. First Holy Communion is scheduled for April 23</p> <p>The Education Pillar Report for Preschool and Kindergarten</p> <p>Topics discussed included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Polar Express Christmas Program2. Classes closed for Christmas break are from December 18th until January 3rd.3. Giggle night was a success4. The Holy Sp[irit] Outreach Center Christmas Dinner was completed with over 200 dinners delivered to Holy Spirit church5. Monitoring of family service hours has begun6. Registration for the school year 2016-17 will be held on Jan. 13, 2016. This will include preschool, kindergarten and first grade.
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Community	Phil Sheehy	No report
Diocese PC Representative	Michal Vogt	No activity

Pastor's Report

Topics

Discussion

Meeting with advisory board	
Criteria for Admittance	The criteria is to be published in "The Companion."
Tony Wagner and Young Adult Ministry	The Parish Council moved to go forward with the development of the program and the employment of Tony Wagner as the first minister. The motion was made by Trey Hix and seconded by Sue Keller. The motion was unanimously approved.
Update/Tabernacle	The diocese has requested additional information about costs and construction
Update/Staff (resignation of Tess Freeman)	The receptionist position will be filled by volunteers.
Pond Issues	The pond on the church property is considered hazardous for children attending school. It will need to be filled in. Fr. Indicated his desire to continue to make the area aesthetically pleasing with the stations remaining and the possibility of a little gazebo for prayer and reflection.
Eagle Scout Projects	Boy Scouts would possibly be involved with the redesign of the pond area as Eagle Service Projects.

New Business

Prayer responsibilities for Next Meeting	February 3, 2016 (N.B.)	Jack Lundy
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Attachments include comprehensive Pillar Reports and approved minutes of the November Parish Council.

Adjournment Prayer

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. We pray in Jesus name. Amen!

Secretary's comment: May you have a happy and Holy Christmas and a blessed New Year.

December 2, 2015 Pillar Reports

ADULT FAITH FORMATION MEETING

Wednesday November 18, 2015

Present: Father Bolte, Deacon Dave Philbrick, Pat TenBrink, Frank Williams, Eileen Messer

FR. BOLTE attended briefly to discuss how the committee can be better integrated with the other parish committees. He is looking into getting a Young Adult Faith Coordinator who could work with our committee. He would also like us to start a session in FORMED for Advent. The committee decided to try Wednesday evenings in Advent with the YDisciple program. He has also purchased books to be distributed at Christmas entitled "Rediscover Jesus".

FR. MAHER RETREAT: Although attendance was disappointing, those present were touched and informed by the spirituality of St. Paul's writings as explained by Father Maher.

BIBLE STUDY: THE PASSION will take place on Wednesdays during Lent in Brodnick Hall from 6:30 to 8:30. Members of the committee will pass out the first set of questions for the study on the Sunday after Ash Wednesday after Masses. Start advertising the study in the bulletin in January.

AD FOR NEW MEMBERS: Eileen wrote a piece to appear in the next issue of the Companion.

SYMBOLON (FORMED): Frank copied the materials from the internet and provided each of the committee members with a set to work from. Deacon Dave Profitt has had several people who would like to meet on Friday evenings as long as the bar is open. The committee will assist him. A topic must be selected. Frank was especially attracted to the "Footprints of God" series and asks that others review the material. When should the sessions begin?

ADVENT WREATHS FOR SALE: Materials for making Advent wreaths that were left from last year will be put into bags and offered to families for a free will donation after Masses on November 21 and 22.

AWAKEN THE DREAMER, CHANGING THE DREAM: Sr. Ellen would like to bring this environmental program that emphasizes the points of Pope Francis's encyclical to St. Timothy next year, perhaps sometime in the fall. The program will be presented at St. Anne's convent in February. Members may wish to preview it there.

DEACON DAVE PROFITT has a series on bringing people back to the church that he feels is awesome. It is about parents talking to their children and is done by Brandon Vogt. The title of the series is Help Them Return. He has bought the tapes and is thinking of doing these on a Saturday morning during Lent.

DEACON DAVE PHILBRICK would like to put some articles in the Companion concerning the reasons that we do certain things in the Church. He has some information that he has been working on for this.

No Meeting in December. Next meeting has not been set.

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Messer

Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2015

Present: Katy Sullivan, Annie Deis, Rosalie Hentz, Debbie Murray, Chris Lawlwer

Since a quorum was not present, the minutes were not approved.

Katy provided the opening Mission Prayer

Garden Harvest- harvest from the garden is slowing down, but is still being held every Monday. Dave Perry will step down from being in charge of the garden & will not deliver the produce anymore. Kate Schmdit will take over delivering.

The garden appreciation dinner will be held in March.

Mary Rose Mission – There were many cancellations of workers last month & Katie filled the openings on Sunday.

Thanksgiving collection went well, & special thanks to the Boy Scouts for their efficient help & to all the donors. 225 cases of food will be distributed to City Heights, St. Bernard Food Pantry, Gallatin County CAC & St. Vincent de Paul. There were 68 new winter coats collected & 72 gently used coats donated, as well as hats, gloves, etc.

Christmas-Giving Tree tags will be available on the weekend of Nov. 21/22. Please help with correct distribution of tags after your attendance at Sunday Mass. Katie will try leaving a few family tags for those who have requested them in the past. Also, Katie will need some assistance in sorting the gifts. Gifts will be delivered to Gallatin County on December 15th.

Alternative Christmas will take place the weekend of December 6th.

Brighton Center – The seniors enjoyed the afternoon of games & fun for the September Grant Project. They especially liked painting the pumpkins & Halloween Blngo.

November grant—DCCH will host us on December 1, from 4-6pm. St. Tim's will assist with the decorating of their buildings, inside, as well as outside. PSR students have been busy making decorations. Grant speaker, Paul Miller will talk this weekend after Masses. There will be sign up sheets to assist with decorating as well as making cookies for the party/gathering with the children.

A day of reflection for Outreach & other organizations will be held on Jan 30th.

Grant Assignments-2016

Debbie will head the February Grant for the Emergency Shelter.

Lisa & Rosalie will co-ordinate the April Grant for Be Concerned.

Chris & Rebecca will be in charge of the July Grant for New Perceptions.

Carolyn will head the October Grant for Master Provisions.

New Business

Working with other groups & their projects:

The preschool held a very successful Spaghetti Dinner with proceeds going to a scholarship fund in memory of Grace Inyart.

Discussion followed concerning having Outreach assist with other parish events such as Fish Fry Fridays, food for Go Pantry, 40 days of Lent drive with K of C, etc.

Rosalie reported that 16 bags of personal care items were presented to St. Joseph Diocesan Home for the homeless.

Katy is still looking for someone to co-ordinate the Meal Ministry.

Adjournment -The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalie Hentz For Rebecca Hill

Worship Committee Minutes November 11, 2015

Present: Miriam Burkart, Pat Kline, Fr. Richard Bolte, Kathleen Thompson, Christine Jones, Loretta Macaluso, Madeline Bond, Roberta Whitely, Katie Webb

Absent: Pete Freeman

Meeting began: 7:00 pm

Opening Prayer: Opening Prayer for a Worship Committee

Minutes- September 9th minutes were approved as presented

Introduction- Welcome to Roberta Whitely, new director of music ministry

Old Business:

1. Hymn boards – have arrived and are estimated to be installed within the next week.
2. Toe Strips- Trey Nix to finish installing toe strips this weekend in bottom center row. They have been removed by John Vogelpohl from the center section. There are some extending a few feet from the edge toward the center. *(I thought Fr. Bolte indicated that these were removed from the center because people were kneeling there, and they could be quite painful. Kathleen indicated that they are needed at the foot of the ambo.)*

Committee Reports:

Pastoral Council –

- Gary McManus reassigned as Pastoral Council member- Bob Siracuse is now rep for worship committee. Pastoral Council members are encouraged to attend worship committee meetings, however, not required. Important to send minutes to the P.C. rep.
- Discussed a possible Young Adult Faith Formation ministry, to tie in with current Adult Faith Formation. Finance Council still reviewing in budget.
- School still in progress and on target for development; financial contributions and pledges coming in.

Art and Environment-

- Advent supplies look good for this year.
- Last year's Christmas wreaths were not accurate (functioning properly) - looking at options/resolution.
- Pat Rigney and Christine Jones working on Pentecost banners- will look in to Church Partner banners.

- All were invited to help with decorating the Church during the Christmas season
- Delegating seasons to specific individuals has been very successful. Adult leadership opportunities and children's service hours have been offered.

Bereavement-

- All Soul's Memorial Mass went well
- A & E did a beautiful job on the altar
- October Living Rosary went well

Music-

- Contact for parish sign ups: Jennifer Fedders - Contact for parish bulletin: Lynn Profitt
- Suggestion to define ages for youth choir for clarity.
- Upcoming Reconciliation Services: 12/9- PSR & Parish, 12/16- 1st Reconciliation
- Thanksgiving Mass: 10:00 a.m.
- Immaculate Conception Masses: 6:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. – music at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday before Thanksgiving switch out Breaking Bread books, add any inserts, prayers, Advent entrance song.
- Confirmation- February 1, 2016, First Communion- April 23, 2016 – Carol Lense has planning sheet.

New Business:

1. Holy Week Checklist:
 - Members asked to review and decide what areas they can help.
 - Chapel in parish center on Thursday night.
2. Tabernacle:
 - 89% parishioners approved design, will be sent to Bishop's office for approval.
 - Inconclusive on what current room will be.
 - Projected to have Tabernacle and School complete at the same time.

Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at: 7:41 pm

Next Meeting: January 13, 2016.

ST. TIMOTHY PSR

December 1stnd 2015

Carol S. Lense

PSR ~ grades 1 - 8

Sunday Preschool 3 and 4 year olds – Kindergarten

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Current & Upcoming Events:

- November Youth Greeter Month was a big hit, with both the students who helped, and those attending Mass. Many compliments were given to the youth who lent a hand. One of the children who helped, a 1st grader commented to me – “Serving in Church is so much fun!”
- The Alternative Christmas Fair is December 5th & 6th. The Confirmation students' Agency boards are ready to go. Each student has committed to a scheduled time, and we are ready to go to support our Agencies. We have gift cards printed for those who purchase, and we will have various snacks for the parishioners to enjoy while shopping. The drop off of items from our Christmas giving tree will also be going on, so we are hoping it will encourage more shoppers.
- The December outreach program is a collection of items for our Veterans, to be delivered to the VA centers in Fort Thomas and Cincinnati. We have also created cards to send to our Military overseas to go into care packages.
- The PSR classes will also be creating wooden plank Christmas trees, decorated with the names of the children from each class and grade as a keepsake to St. Timothy Church. We will be working on these at our last class, the week of December 13th.
- First Reconciliation for our RCIC and 2nd grade students will be Wednesday December 16th. Our RCIC program has grown during the last couple months and we now have 18 students in this group, over half will be baptized at the Easter Vigil, and they will celebrate their first reconciliation in the weeks after Easter.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word happens during the 9:30 and 11:30 masses on PSR weekends. We typically have 40-60 students between 1st and 4th grade joining us for the Liturgy. We have recently been blessed with the

Deacons taking part in this program, which is a special treat for our children. We are always looking for additional Liturgical Ministers for this program.

- The Sunday Preschool offers a 3+4 year old and Kindergarten class at 9:30, and a combined age class at 11:30. We currently have over 35 children enrolled in these programs.

Planning & Long Range Projects:

- Confirmation Retreat will be held on Saturday, January 9th. The YCET team from the Diocese will conduct the retreat for the Confirmation Candidates.
- Confirmation is scheduled for Monday February 1st, and we have 78 students to be confirmed this year.
- The Jesus Retreat for our RCIC and 2nd grade students is scheduled for Saturday March 13th.
- First Holy Communion is scheduled for Saturday April 23rd, at 11am and 2pm.

Education Pillar Report - Preschool and Kindergarten

The preschool and kindergarten are in the midst of preparing for their Polar Express Christmas Program. The programs will be during the school day this year on the 16th and 17th.

The preschool and kindergarten will be closed for Christmas Break beginning on Friday, December 18th-January 3rd. Classes will resume on the 4th.

Giggle Night was a huge success again this year with over 360 people in attendance. All of the items have been delivered and were greatly appreciated by all the agencies.

We have also just completed our Holy Spirit Outreach Center Christmas Dinner Service Learning Project. Almost 200 Christmas Dinners were delivered to Holy Spirit in Newport. This was a wonderful service learning Project for our little ones.

Monitoring of family service hours will begin this week. We will be sending home forms for families to complete and to share with us the service that they have been completing in the parish or in the community. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to invite families to become more involved and to emphasize that we are a service learning school

Registration for the 2016-2017 school year will be on Saturday, January 23rd from 9-4. This will include registration for preschool, kindergarten and first grade.

SAINT TIMOTHY YOUTH MINISTRY

Paul Dierig, Reporting

The Youth Group had three regular Youth Meetings for the end of October and November. We have new members who continually attend every Sunday.

We attended the Diocese wide Lock in Lazer Craze. It was well attended and everyone had a great time including Father Mike Henningan from the Diocese.

Adoration is planned for this Sunday. One of our Deacons will lead us in our praise.

Eight youth from our Parish worked the Sunday before Thanksgiving at the Mary Rose Mission. Over 90 meals were served to the homeless of Boone County.

On Tuesday 12/1 the Youth Group had the privilege of going to the Diocese Catholic Children's home to help put up Christmas decorations. They enjoyed their time working with other members of our Parish and they had the chance to visit with the residence at the Children's Home.

Next month is the March for Life Trip to DC. 11 youth are planning to make the March!

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Dierig