

## ***St. Boniface Catholic Church***

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### **Parish Pastoral Council – Meeting Minutes**

Monday, November 15, 2021

#### **Those in Attendance:**

Fr. Martino  
Robin Smith, President  
Louisa Fisher, Vice President  
Susan Doyle, Secretary  
Lisa Ganser  
Aaron Gilstrap  
Ron Proveaux  
Mary Jane Heyman

#### **Those absent:**

Rick Rafter, Ex-Officio, Deacon  
Barbara Rafferty, Ex-Officio, Finance Committee

Meeting opened at 7:02 with a prayer led by Fr. Martino followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Disposition of Minutes:**

Minutes from October meeting were approved by Aaron Gilstrap and seconded by Louisa Fisher.

#### **Reports:**

##### ***Ministries Updates:***

**Prayer** – Ron Proveaux - New books will come in. We will say the Stewardship Prayer and the Vocations Prayer during the Prayer of the Faithful during mass beginning in Advent. Fr. Martino wants the focus to be to pray for the church (to be faithful), prayer for the nation (for unity and peace under God), prayer for family (to be a beacon of the light of Christ in the community), and prayer for the individual (to be a faithful disciple of Christ.) This will be on card stock – ½ piece of paper. New albs are needed for both youth and adults (total of 15). Fr. will call Vietnam to get some made.

**Service** – Mary Jane – Gloria wants to decorate the church – we can do it December 19<sup>th</sup> after mass – the youth group will help. Yvette Carr was very happy with the participation for Box of Joy program.

**Formation** – Lisa Ganser – Youth Group sale went well - \$1,000 was made. Only a couple pieces were left. Confirmation went well.

**Hospitality** – Aaron Gilstrap – Check on the schedule for Christmas to make sure we have ushers and servers.

##### ***Committees:***

**Finance** – Barbara Rafferty – absent: no report

**Building** – Gerry Klock – absent: no report

**Discipleship** – Connie Cordeira – absent: no report

#### **Unfinished Business:**

**1) Propane tank** – Charline says we must absolutely repair or replace the propane tank. AmeriGas is not returning calls. The decision was made to put an above the ground tank on the property and leave the other one in the ground.

**2) Parking Lot and Floors** – The discussion was had about which should be done first. It was agreed that the parking lot is more imperative to complete first. Robin is going to put something in the bulletin about it – it will cost around \$50,000. Fr. says we need to talk it up with the congregation. Lisa suggested putting in cement parking stops. Fr. says someone needs to draw up plans to make it legal.

**3) Repairs on Religious Education Building and Grounds** – The chalking of the stained glass window has already been done – as of 11/15. The cost was \$1,250. Trees and bushes need to be trimmed. We could have

a weekend painting and grounds clean-up day. Maybe different families can be responsible for painting different rooms (could be summer family volunteers.) – Do it after Vacation Bible school in the summer.

**New Business:**

**1) Increasing Budget for Maintenance and Building** – The topic was discussed as to whether we should do this or not. There was no further discussion on it except to say that some of the projects (stained glass windows) had been done and ideas were discussed about the painting of the religious education building.

**2) Bishop Parkes' Listening Sessions** – These sessions were discussed as to what they were (like town hall meetings) for the diocese. It was agreed that we would attend the one on December 13<sup>th</sup> in lieu of Parish Council Meeting at St. James in Savannah.

**Calendar of Events:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> – Advent Confession – there will be 4 priests

December 11<sup>th</sup> – St. Nicholas Breakfast is canceled – due to covid. St. Nicholas will visit Sunday school classes. Children's Advent programs will be canceled also due to covid.

December 13<sup>th</sup> – Listening session with Bishop Parkes at St. James in Savannah

December 25<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) – Mass will be different due to Christmas. Saturday evening mass (5:00) will be for Sunday.

January 9<sup>th</sup> – Ecumenical dinner is cancelled

February 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> – CCW yard sale

February 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> - Valentine Party – Adults only - \$30.00 per person. We will look into having it catered by Southern Kafé, Simply Southern or Central Station.

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Pancake supper for Shrove Tuesday

March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ash Wednesday – Lenten programs begin

April 17<sup>th</sup> Easter

May – Parish Picnic – date to be determined

Closing Prayer by Fr. Martino

Meeting Closed at 8:20

Next Meeting January 17, 2022

Minutes Submitted by Susan Doyle