

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 21, 2017

Excused – Frank Krebs, Suzanne Schloemann
Minutes to taken by Mallory

7:00PM—Council checks in and shares personal updates.

7:15PM—Hospitality Assigning—Diana will do August. We will skip July because of the 4th of July weekend and in deference to the summer BBQ season.

7:19PM—Finance Report. We're looking at a potential \$15,000 budget shortfall. We need to consider how to communicate the information to the full community to ask for their prayerful discernment on how to close this gap, either through increasing pledges or through vigorous participation in our two fundraising event—the raffle in August or the Mouse Races in October. Judy suggested that we actually ask the community to submit additional ideas for how to close the gap.

Some members of the community have suggested pausing or eliminating tithing. The Council agreed that would be a very serious conversation that we need to have when Frank is present and only potentially as a very last result.

Parish Council will draft a letter that can be read at Mass. A member of the Council will read the letter and the other members in attendance will stand behind them when the letter is read. Nancy will draft a letter and the Council and Pastoral Team will review.

7:52PM—Checking in on communication that was sent to committee chairs. From Mallory: no issues. People seemed receptive. Will send a second wave of communication to folks with additional committee sign-ups that she received from Jim today.

7:54PM—Fundraising Updates. Mouse Races will be held on October 6th. Likely will be held here at Peace—looking to see if they can fit the ramp in the building. Cecelia volunteered to help Nancy with the raffle in August.

7:57PM—Check in on twinning program. The Council is very interested in this, but will revisit at the Council retreat in October and decide if this should be a priority for 2018.

8:00PM—Parish Council Elections. We will need to fill four seat—Caroline, Suzanne and Mary will be terming out, and Mallory is leaving the Council one year early. Mary has only served one year (took over David Winkler's term last year) and has agreed to be nominated again. Two people were nominated last year who we did not have seats available for—the Council will approach them to gauge their interest in being nominated again. And, the Council hopes that Mallory's seat can be filled by another millennial and will approach several millennial members about their interest in running. Elections will happen in late July.

8:08PM—Millennial/Parish Council conversation will happen Saturday, July 8th. Framing questions:

- What are you looking for in a faith community?
- What are your peers looking for in a faith community?
- How is SCF meeting your needs?
- How could SCF better meet your needs?
- In what ways can we support your spirituality?
- How could SCF better outreach to the millennial community?
- Do millennials know that we exist? If not, how can we help to change that?

8:11PM—Clarence moves to approve the minutes from the last meeting, Diana second.

8:15PM—Meeting adjourned.