

Parish Council Meeting  
November 4, 2014 @ 7:00 PM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Sheila M. Eveland

In Attendance: Father Ruhlin, Sheila Eveland, Ruben Tovar, Debi Quattrocchi, Norma Robinson, Jo Sullivan, Christina Waldron, Maria Brown, Ray Raferty and Janet McNamara.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M., by Father Ruhlin opening with a prayer.

Father provided an Agenda to all prior to the start of the Meeting.

**Oktoberfest Update:** Father Ruhlin told us that we brought in more money and our expenses were down. He said that he does not have a final profit amount to provide as he is waiting on a few bills to come in. We paid the ride company \$23,000.00. Janet wondered what the cost of last year's electric was and Father said that he could not remember and did not have the paper work with him. Norma asked how many employees were on Over Time and Father said about 6 or 7. Father told the Parish Council that the Oktoberfest Committee had a re-cap meeting providing some good feed back.

**Animal Blessing:** Father said that he planned on holding the event outside, but due to weather conditions it was held in the Social Hall. He said that we had a very good turn out.

**Liturgical Schedule:** Starting December 5<sup>th</sup>., Father plans on having the 8:00AM Mass on Friday followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 4:00 PM There will be no evening Mass after Adoration, as well as no Confessions.

**Vocation Awareness:** There is a table at the entrance to the Church that has prayer cards. These cards are for the Seminary Students in our Diocese. These are approximately 30. Brad is getting together care packages for the students.

**Calendar:** The 2015 Calendars will be set out in the Church on November 29/30, the first Sunday in Advent.

**Stewardship:** Father asked us what we learned this past year from reading about Stewardship in the Bulletin. Norma answered- Time, Talent and Treasure. A discussion was held and several ideas were brought up to continue the emphasis on Stewardship in the coming year. Norma suggested a speaker talk to the Parish at Mass as to what their Ministry is about and why they are excited about their particular Ministry. Ruben said that we need to be reminded what Stewardship means and the need of each ministry. Janet suggested a Prayer Ministry. Jo said that the last Ministry Fair we had was great and St. Vincent dePaul gained a lot of new comers. Norma said that we actually need to stand up and say "We need your help", to motivate people. Father said that in 2015 his spiritual focus will be Making Ourselves New in Christ.

**Scheduling Events:** Please make sure that you complete, in detail any events that you have coming up and if you have to cancel...please fill out and turn in a cancellation form. The more details you can provide the better. It is very important that you check for Bulletin Deadlines, especially around the Holidays.

**Event Planning:** Father provided a list of events that are now on the calendar. Please note that the Thanksgiving Dinner has been canceled due to problems with the floor in the Maria Center. Spirit Night at McDonalds in Gulfport will provide our Parish with 20% of the sales made when mentioning/turning in a card for Most Holy Name when making your purchase. More details to follow. Father said that he plans on having a Event Calendar placed on the Bulletin Board in the Social Hall.

Events not listed: February 18, 2015 - Ash Wednesday

April 5 -

Easter

May 10 -

Holy Communion (Mother's Day)

May 14 -

Confirmation Ruben asked about the

Date and Father said it

was assigned by the Bishop.

**Other Concerns:** No other concerns were brought up at this time.

Father Ruhlin closed the Meeting in prayer at 8:07 PM

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**Next Parish Council Parish Meeting: January 13, 2015 @ 7:00 PM**

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Sheila Eveland.,  
Parish Council Secretary