

## Holy Family Parish Council Meeting Minutes – April 25, 2022

**Attendees:** Fr. George Munjanattu, Deacon Pat Wright, Jackie Mudd (Chairperson), Jim Gast, and Becky Morris. **Absent:** Helen Arnold and Michele Osbourn. **Guests:** Pam and Marvin Stober, David Nett, Jennifer Zoeller.

Fr. George opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer.

1. Revitalization: As follow-up from the March Parish Council Meeting, attendees were invited to come back to this Parish Council session to share thoughts and ideas for consideration to “revitalize” our parish community. Ideas suggested and discussed:
  - Big screens on the walls in front of church. These could be used to show announcements and the liturgical music (instead of using music books). Issues: Cost; who would provide content on a weekly basis and run the program during services. Alternate suggestion was some type of presentation on computer or TV screen set up in the greeting area.
  - Music. All agreed that music is important to draw people to attend services. A suggestion was made to have more new music BUT provide time before Mass to practice this music so more can participate. Jennifer Zoeller noted there is money from a CEF grant available for music training.
  - Discussion on how to invite more young people to come to Holy Family and take on leadership roles on committees such as Finance and Parish Council. It was noted that Andrew Hovekamp has joined the Finance Committee. Fr. George would like to find someone willing to join the Parish Council.
  - Young Adult Ministry – Fr. George has already started the process to establish a “Young Adult Ministry” at Holy Family. This will be for ages 25-35.
  - Invite new parishioners specifically to parish events. Be sure they are made welcome.
  - Be sure to invite new parishioners to be involved in events such as fish fries, picnic. Give them a specific job.
  - Hospitality – all present felt Holy Family does this well at the Masses. From the March meeting, there is interest in setting up a Hospitality Ministry to greet and welcome new members.
  - Providing Children’s Church is bringing more parents to church so their children may attend.
  - Keeping our parish directory up-to-date. Previously parish members called everyone in the directory to update information and determine status as members of the parish. Time to do this again.
  - Health Ministry provides a candle to the family of a deceased member and follows up with letters to the family for a year after their death.

- Holy Family’s website – there was much discussion about who and how we are keeping the website updated. It costs \$600 annually to store/maintain the site. It was determined that committee chairpersons need to be reminded to keep their segments updated with current information. Other suggestions included a “Search/Query” button and overall design/function review. **ACTION ITEM:** Attendees were asked to look at the designs of other parish web sites. Fr. George should ask Peggy/Naomi to notify chairpersons to update their segments.
  - Suggestion to organize/archive the many photos taken of parish events so they can more easily be found and used.
  - Question asked about the “Holy Family Alumni, Parishioners and Friends” website being a closed group. The site was established to use as a communications tool among alumni, parishioners and friends of Holy Family. It was determined to be a closed group to have control that it would only be used for sharing “positive” events and comments.
  - It was proposed that a separate “Technology Committee” be established to work on improving the website.
2. The 2022-2023 budget was approved by the Parish Council members.
  3. Property at 1214 Becker Avenue – The sale of the property has been turned over to a realtor who is researching information on the property.
  4. The new LED sign on the front of the property has been approved by the city. We will take down 2 signs and put up one new sign. Current timeframe is to be completed by August. Training will be required on how to set up and upload information to the sign.
  5. Parish Security – Fr. George and Deacon Pat are still researching ideas. A possible parish-wide meeting on security will be presented by Deacon Greg Gitscher. Date to be determined.
  6. Other items for the Project List:
    - New door knobs on Saffin Center doors. (Mike Jefferson researching.)
    - Flags – we have flag poles and parishioners interested in seeing the U.S. and Kentucky flags displayed. This requires they be lit at night. Will need to determine cost to add to Project List.
    - Possible 50/50 monthly drawing to bring in additional revenue to the parish. Comments: check with Don on gaming commission requirements; who to handle the sale. (Since competes with other fundraisers, this idea was dropped.)
    - Special dinner event to benefit the music program.
    - Family activity during the day or night to bring more families to the parish.

7. Deacon Pat announced that we may now bring back altar servers and carrying the gifts up at Mass. **ACTION ITEM:** Deacon Pat to have the information on altar servers put in the bulletin.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. with a prayer by Deacon Pat. **Next meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2022.** (Minutes submitted by Becky Morris.)