

## Holy Family Parish Council Meeting Minutes – November 28, 2022

**Attendees:** Fr. George Munjanattu, Jackie Mudd (Chairperson), Helen Arnold, Jim Gast, Michele Osbourn and Becky Morris. **Absent:** Deacon Pat Wright and Elizabeth Hobson.

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

1. Financial Discussion – Holy Family is seeing a drop in collections. Other parishes are also seeing a drop – between 9% and 25%. (Holy Family close to 9%.) According to the Archdiocese, attendance is also down about 40%. (Holy Family attendance stable.) Our Finance Committee is looking into ideas to increase income (on-line giving, Saffin Center rentals, etc.). A suggestion was made to hold a fundraiser in the spring. **ACTION ITEM:** Jackie to discuss with Mary Beth Porter possibility of Valentine’s Dance income going to the parish instead of Social Club.
2. Website Update – Council members were requested to look over the updates on Holy Family’s website and provide any comments to Jordan Mudd and NaomiRose Paulin. **ACTION ITEM:** Parish Council members requested to review updates to the website and provide comments.
3. Bulletin, PDS and Greeting card updates – More items on the bulletin have borders to separate visually. Naomi Rose working on new cards for Fr. George to send to parishioners. The Archdiocese database is moving to a new system.
4. Rental Contracts – Naomi Rose working on updating the wording on the contracts. The Finance Committee will determine rental pricing to be included in the contracts.
5. Open Projects – The Council members reviewed the “Project Completion List” and the “Active Project List.” Flags are now in place with required lighting. Mike Jefferson checking into new mats for Saffin Center. Fr. George requested adding to the list to have the rectory basement checked for possible water issues. Parish/Altar Sodality interested in new, square and round card tables. Becky Morris to discuss with Altar Sodality and check with Mike Jefferson.
6. Fr. George Notes:
  - Fr. George suggested adding a Parish Council member from the Syro Malabar community. Council members in agreement.
  - Fr. George suggested that anyone requesting to put flyers in church have permission from the Liturgy committee and anyone wanting to place signs on the property get permission from the parish office or Parish Council.
  - Fr. George has ordered new candlesticks for the altar which will take 6 months to arrive.
  - David Allgeier will add outdoor electrical outlets on the front church property as a new circuit from the church for Christmas lighting or other events.

7. Other discussion:

- Parish Directory – **ACTION ITEM:** Jackie has contacted Pam Stober. This will be deferred to a later date.
- Stewardship forms – 55 returned so far. A reminder to turn these in continues in the bulletin.
- Archdiocesan policy on having security at events where alcohol is sold. **ACTION ITEM:** Deacon Pat will check into this.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. with a prayer by Deacon Pat.

**December meeting canceled. Next meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2023**

(Minutes submitted by Becky Morris.)