

**St. Bernard Parish Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Albers, Illinois**

**Date:** Tuesday, February 6, 2018  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Place:** St. Bernard Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the opening prayer by Fr. Anthony.

The December 5, 2017 minutes were approved via email.

The website is [www.stbernardandstdamian.org](http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org).

**ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:** Lynne Huelsmann, Austen Lake, Kris Anne Becker, James Williams, Ed Wuebbels, Luke Niemeyer

**Members Not Present:** Stefanie Rickhoff, Stacy Schroeder, Casey Etter

**Ex-officio Administrative:** Fr. Anthony Onyango (present)  
**Ex-officio Catechetical Ministry Dir.:** Deacon Glenn Netemeyer (not present)  
**Ex-officio Trustee:** Steve Schomaker (present)  
**Ex-officio Trustee:** Jeanette "Nettie" Broeckling (present)

**Guests:** Tim Schroeder

**NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS:**

**President:** Kris Anne Becker  
**Vice-President:** Luke Niemeyer  
**Secretary:** Austen Lake

**COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES:**

**Building and Maintenance:** Brian Zurliene  
**Education:** Deacon Glenn Netemeyer  
**Liturgy:** Deacon Glenn Netemeyer, Stefanie Rickhoff  
**Parish Partnership:** Luke Niemeyer

**PARISH LIFE:**

- Waiting on a letter from the Vicar that will give direction on building and maintenance.
- As it currently stands, there are 46 priests and 114 parishes.
- There will be 41 priests to continue after this year, 5 will be retiring.
- There are 8 extern priests from outside the dioceses who will also be moving on.
- Parish Partnerships may have alterations in the future.

**FINANCE COUNCIL:**

- All Good!

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

***Building and Maintenance***

- Sound System – Vestibule speakers have not been replaced so they are tied in.
  - Will investigate options to improve.

## **Liturgy**

- **Ash Wednesday Mass and Distribution of Ashes February 14** at 7:45 a.m. @ St. Damian; 7:00 p.m. @ St. Bernard  
Joint/Mass distribution of ashes. Deacon Glenn will have a distribution of ashes with St. Bernard Faith Formation youth on Ash Wednesday morning. Hispanic service at 7:00 pm @ St. Damian.

## **Lenten Schedule**

- **Way of Cross** - 7:00 pm Thursdays, Starting February 15 in St. Bernard (Father Anthony) alternating weeks with St. Damian on February 22 (Deacon Glenn), St. Bernard on March 1 (Kevin Templin)
- **Monday Bible Study during Lent** - Fr. Anthony will be hosting starting February 19 at 7:00 pm in the school.
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation** - Sunday, March 11 (Fourth Sunday of Lent), at 1:00 p.m. at St. Bernard.
- **Reconciliation for Faith Formation** on March 19-20. Mass to be at 8:30.
- **Anointing of the Sick** - Saturday, March 10 at 4:00 Mass at St. Bernard; Sunday, March 11 at 8:30 and 10:00 masses.
- **Eucharistic Adoration** during Lent - Wednesday 9-11 St. Damian; 1-2 St. Bernard.
- **Minister Training** - March 15, 7:00 pm at St. Damian

## **Holy Week/Easter/Sacraments:**

- **Palm Sunday** - March 24, 4:00 Mass at St. Damian; March 25; 8:30 Mass at St. Damian; 10:00 mass at St. Bernard.  
Procession of Palm's beginning at the Schools.
- **Holy Thursday** - March 29 - St. Damian, 7:00 p.m. - Apostles of Jesus by Grade 3; Foot-washing Plan -: 4 Confirmandi, 2 each First Communion, 1 Candidate, 1 sponsor, 1 each parish Council. Al Varel volunteered for St. Damian.
- **Good Friday Services** - March 30 - St. Bernard: 2:00 pm, (4:30 pm service and way of the cross in Spanish to be held at the Nursery), St. Damian: 7:00 pm
- **Easter Vigil** - March 31 St. Bernard—7 p.m.; Readings 1,3,5,7
- **Easter Sunday** - April 1 regular Sunday schedule - 8:30, 10:00; 11:00
- **St. Damian Confirmation** - April 18, 7:00 pm - Choir!
- **First Communion** - St. Bernard, April 15, 10:00 am.
- **First Communion** - St. Damian, May 12, 4:00 pm.

## **VICARIATE / DIOCESAN PLANNING:**

- Next meeting – Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM @ Kinmundy

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- The Joint Parish Council Holiday Party went great!

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion to move all the chairs out of the library.
  - 1st Ed Wuebbels
  - 2nd Kris Anne Becker
  - Motion passed
- Mexican Fish Fry at the Legion on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>
- Soup Supper on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>
- Joint Ladies Sodality event
- Ladies Sodality Breakfast - KC men to work event on Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>
- Men's Sodality Breakfast - KC men to work the event

## **ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:**

- Discuss how well the Mexican Fish Fry, soup supper, and all of the Sodality events went.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- No new announcements

## **NEXT MEETING:**

- Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- Closing prayer by Fr. Anthony.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

**Minutes Prepared by:** Austen Lake