

St. Bernard Parish Council
Meeting Minutes
Albers, Illinois

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: St. Bernard Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M., followed by the opening prayer by Fr. Anthony Onyango. The Spiritual Reflection was done by Luke Niemeyer this meeting.

The December 4, 2018 minutes were approved via email.

The website is www.stbernardandstdamian.org.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Luke Niemeyer, Austen Lake, Casey Etter, Ed Wuebbles, Lynne Huelsmann, Cory Goestenkors, Ann Cannaday, and Penny Angeli

Members Not Present: Stacy Schroeder

Ex-officio Administrative: Fr. Anthony Onyango (present)

Ex-officio Pastoral Associate/DRE: Deacon Glenn Netemeyer (present)

Deacon Kevin Templin (present)

Ex-officio Trustee: Steve Schomaker (present)

Ex-officio Trustee: Jeanette "Nettie" Broeckling (present)

Guests: None

OFFICERS:

President: Cory Goestenkors

Vice-President: Penny Angeli

Secretary: Austen Lake

PARISH LIFE:

- Nominations for President: Cory Goestenkors
- Nominations for Vice President: Penny Angeli
- Nominations for Secretary: Austen Lake

FINANCE COUNCIL:

- The Finance Council did not meet today
- For the next meeting, bring up possible budget for Building and Maintenance

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building and Maintenance

- Working on light bulbs with electrical company
- There will be continued discussion about the major renovations to the church, which are:
 - New flooring
 - Statues
 - Stations of the Cross
 - Angels
 - Stained glass
 - Church bell repairs
- There will be a capital campaign in order to pay for renovations

Education:

- Actively looking for members for the Education committee
 - Possible: Andra Goestenkers
- Faith Formation needs teachers
- Deacon's concerns:
 - Soup Supper and Casserole events did not have a great turn out this year
 - NCVYI are having trouble finding kids that can commit
- Lenten booklets have been handed out
- Reconciliation went well this morning
- Adult Bible Education continues and attendance has been good
- Everything with the Youth Ministry is going well
- Students are still preparing for Confirmation
- Bible Study is still meeting

Liturgy:

- Looking for Liturgy committee members
- Holy Week & Easter Schedule:
 - Holy Thursday, April 18th – Bilingual Mass 7PM @ St. Bernard
 - Good Friday, April 19th – Service 2PM @ St. Damian
 - Way of the Cross 6PM @ St. Bernard
 - Hispanic Service 7:30PM @ St. Damian
 - Holy Saturday, April 20th – Easter Vigil Mass 7PM @ St. Damien
 - Easter Sunday, April 21st – 8:30 AM Mass @ St. Damian; 10AM Mass @ St. Bernard; & 11AM Mass @ St. Damian
- Sacraments:
 - 1st Communion: April 28th – 10AM Mass @ St. Bernard; 11AM Hispanic Mass @ St. Damien
 - 1st Communion: May 4th – 4PM Mass @ St. Damien
 - Confirmation: May 1st – 7PM @ St. Bernard
- Reconciliation has been completed
- We need ministries for Holy Week – spread the word

VICARIATE:

- New priest appointments will be decided in May
- Partnerships remain the same for the time being
- June 8th – 4 deacons are being ordained

OLD BUSINESS:

- Steve met with contractors for renovation estimates: Will cost approximately \$318,000
- Need to meet with finance council for planning
- GoFundMe is another possible way to raise funds for renovations
- Need someone to run the Wurstmart this year
- Joint Parish Council Dinner went great

NEW BUSINESS:

- Need a new directory for the parish – last time we did a dual Parish Book
- Look into potentially replace microphones/cables on cantor side to fix issues
- Training for Children's Liturgy teachers

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

- Status update on renovations
- Discuss upcoming sacraments: 1st Communion and Confirmation

NEXT MEETING:

- Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.
- Closing prayer by Fr. Anthony Onyango
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Minutes Prepared by: Austen Lake