

Parish council minutes February 21,2019

Kristine opened the meeting with a prayer and the minutes were read and approved

Hospitality Sandy Rolland The wine and cheese reception after the Saturday mass on February 2nd was well attended and was very nice. Mille Little requested for another hospitality in March And Father Max stated that would be fine, it's important to have a welcoming spirit and make people feel welcome, various committees of the parish will present at hospitalities to encourage more volunteering.

Security and safety Charlie McLeod Greg Carney gave a thorough presentation on the AED Defibrillator and emergency lifesaving measures in our parish until an ambulance could arrive. A list of medically trained names will be posted in the office if an emergency during mass or any meetings should arise Charlie stated he spoke with the alarm company, Priority One to get some security cameras installed in the back of the church and around the front door. If the Greeters see something suspicious before mass they are to report to the ushers for security purposes. Our last meeting minutes comments about locking of the doors after mass started, was amended due to a possible fire hazard and not a good idea for late attendees.

Bereavement Program Regina Legette Regina talked about a grief sharing program "Journey from Mourning to Joy" that she would be happy to facilitate once a week for any parish member that is going through the grieving process. She stated that it was a Christian based website program. Father Max and the council all agreed this would be a great addition to our ministries at church. Regina said she will donate the initial program fees.

Committee Reports: Finance Committee Darlene Groves DSF to be replaced by the Bicentennial campaign which will start May through August, 6 members are on the committee, Father recommended parish council chair Kristine to join as a member. Diocese is giving guidance on the campaign and a presentation will follow soon. March 12 10:30 AM next meeting.

Liturgy Susan Weber Susan briefly went over the Lent / Easter schedule, Ash Wednesday 3/6/2019 7pm St Ann, **Stations of the Cross** Fridays during Lent 530pm with mass following at 6pm, **Penance Service** Friday April 12 no mass, Stations at 530pm, Penance service at 6pm, **Palm Sunday** Saturday April 13 and Sunday April 14, **Holy Thursday** April 18 St Ann 7pm washing of the feet, **Good Friday** April 19 OLOH church at 3pm, **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil** April 20, 830 pm at St Ann **Easter Sunday** April 21 Process in with the Risen Christ small statue with all the children and flower petals to be distributed **Divine Mercy Sunday** April 28 St Ann She also talked briefly about the Lenten mission with Reverend Dan Cambra from the Marian fathers as well as Divine Mercy Sunday and novena **May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Sunday, May 5.

Service Organizations Charlie Currier **St. Ann website** <http://stsantee.org> now has a new website administrator, Stephen Scanlon Jr. (lives in Summerville, SC) with Kristine and me maintaining the information on the site. He has completely taken over the site from Ben and working as it should now. The transition went without any hitches and without any cost to the Church (Stephen donated his time and expenses (renewal costs over \$300)). **St. Ann Columbaria** are 20% (14/64) occupied. There are 27 unsold singles and 7 doubles not sold resulting in \$61,500 potential future revenue. Balance in operating funds account is \$4,446 and around \$20,700 in the Diocese investment/savings account so just over \$25,000 in total. We believe the meditation garden is growing as expected and the program to have our

landscaper J&D Outdoor, LLC, Dyanna Myers, maintain this area is working as expected. **St. Ann laptop** is maintained here at the Church in the office locked up in the cabinet. We recently renewed the software (Microsoft Office 365 and Norton Security) on this laptop at an annual cost of around \$150. A new email address was established for communicating with the public where we did not want to use our personal address (had some requests for help - food truck, etc.).

Youth Organizations Christina Jaminez Nothing new to report, Father Max said it was fine to have an egg hunt on Easter Sunday. Father reminded about safe haven renewal.

Outreach Services Martha Simpson Outreach is running smoothly according to Tammy High, our requirements for distribution are from harvest hope. It was stated that we are covered under church liability for accidents. Susan Weber asked about filling out accident reports, follow up with the Diocese needed. There it is a small black notebook in the office in the file cabinet where the gift cards are kept for the needy. Please record the person's name, date, time, and what kind of card was given out and have the recipient sign their name. **Homebound** Father okayed to distribute Ashes during the day on Ash Wednesday before church if the sick or elderly cannot attend. **Right to life** Dick Grindle recently went to the Orangeburg Right to Life group monthly meeting and stated they are looking for new members, especially this May at the Festival of Roses in Orangeburg a booth will be set up and needs volunteers. Also looking for volunteers to go to the abortion clinic in North Charleston to pray the rosary. The national meeting of the Right to Life this year is in North Charleston as well and a new young adult interactive program will be initiated.

Education/Formation Fred Kemmerley Fred is Working with Janet Varner to spread the word about our mission using newspaper ads and the Cantors will announce at every mass. Father Max ask if we were using formed in the church and in our homes asked ways Formed could be better utilized. Fred stated that Wi-Fi was an issue at church at times. Father also asked that after the current Bible and Virgin Mary series is complete if Fred could try and schedule Formed programs for the entire year. It was emphasized the need to continue to evangelize and to continue to use Formed for this purpose. Fred reported that there was recently a session to train all the altar servers about reverence and proper procedures for the servers as well as addressing misbehavior and they're going to have regular training.

Father Max thanked everyone for their presence and service. Next meeting Thursday, May 23 at 2pm.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Simpson