

# CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

## Parish Council Meeting May 24, 2016

**Present:** Deacon Ray Garbach, Mike Schifano, Marc Magagnoli, Shari Magagnoli, Eric Willing, Gabe Pellegrino, Brian Weaver, Michael Lynch, Joe Sakmyster, Pat Schichler, Bob Quinn, Fr. Schwartz, Barb Lamendola, Stacie Plouffe, Fr. Chavez, Cathy Brill, Mark Poore, Joanne Andresky, Vinnie Pellegrino, Tony Ferrera

7:15 PM - Meeting began with a prayer and Benediction in the Church.

### **Pastor's Report**

Fr. Schwartz announced that Bishop Matano has assigned Fr. Chavez to study Canon Law in Washington full time. Father's last weekend at Holy Spirit Church will be June 25-26. There will be a reception for him after each Mass on June 25-26.

Fr. Justin Miller will be ordained on June 4 and will be assigned to Holy Spirit Church.

### **Parish Budget for Upcoming Year**

Brian Weaver presented the Parish budget for the upcoming year and distributed a budget report to Council members.

Some highlights:

- Annual donations have dropped \$6,000 from last year.
- The new budget calls for a 3% increase in revenues and a 2% increase in expenses.
- There is a \$32,000 surplus for the current year.

It was suggested that line items should be included in the budget to address needed maintenance and capital improvements for the Parish. The budget was then approved by the Parish Council. See Budget Report for further information.

### **Liturgical Renewal of Holy Spirit Church Space**

Is it time to renovate Holy Spirit Church space? Church space should foster worship as a single body, and encourage full and active participation by everyone. Holy Spirit Church space needs renewal in order to conform to liturgical requirements. Fr. Schwartz presented a Building Condition Report and Design Study by Labella Associates that addresses needed changes in the present Holy Spirit Church design (See Report). The Worship Team was very favorable to the Labella proposal. The Parish Council members discussed the proposal and questioned how the renovations would be paid for, and how it will be introduced to parishioners. There were various opinions about the need for and cost of the renovations in the proposal. After much discussion, the Parish Council did agree to start communication about the proposal with the parishioners to determine if the Parish community is willing and financially able to support all or part of the proposal. Michael Lynch will investigate the next steps needed to proceed in introducing the proposal to the whole Parish community.

### **Updating the Parish Hall**

The Labella Report included recommendations about reconfiguring the Parish Hall to make better use of space to accommodate Parish needs (See Report). Marc Magagnoli

from the Operations Team requested that all Parish Council teams discuss the Labella redesign for the Parish Hall and refer ideas, if any, for altering it to him.

**Vacation Bible School Update**

Stacie Plouffe reported that there are already 45 youth who have signed up for the summer VBS program and is pleased with the response. She thinks that 50 youth would be a good target number.

The meeting closed with a prayer at 8:55 PM.

**Please note that more complete information about these topics can be found in the handouts provided at the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Lamendola