

Annunciation of the Lord

Parish Council Minutes

September 20th, 2017

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Mike Ignash waived the reading of the minutes due to the detailed notes and allowed time for council to read through the information. A motion to take time to read the minutes individually was approved by Kathleen Donahue and second by Delphine Rutkowski.
2. **Installation of Officers:** Mike Ignash placed the installation until end of meeting allowing time for all council members to be in attendance by end of meeting. (installation and blessing of the Parish Council occurred after Kathleen Donahue left the meeting and will have to be added and amended into record at the next Council meeting).
3. **Faith Formation:** Verna Murawski stated that there is close to 30 students at this time, possibly 35 by end of the enrollment period. She requested the need for more New Testament Bibles (The big green bibles). There has been inquiries for additional bible study groups; perhaps one night a week, focusing on the Book of John as a starting point.
4. **Finance Report:** Brandt Rouseaux reported that we successfully hit the CSA goal, and are actually over pledged. He also stated although there needs to be a few adjustments in the financial report to clearly show expenses vs. revenue, YTD the Parish's Budget and Finances are in good shape.
5. **Pastor's Report:** Polka mass went over very well. The blessing at the new pavilion in Kinde was well attended. Father is going to attend one of the meetings of the Alpha Program so we can further determine if it is something we should participate in individually or with another Parish. The front steps at St. Michaels are complete and still waiting for completion of the back steps. A motion was made to approve up to \$500 to light the flag pole at St. Marys cemetery. Mike Ignash made the motion and Delphine Rutkowski second the motion. All council members approved the motion. Father Craig attended the first day of school at North Huron Schools, a positive response from both staff and students.
6. **Evangelization:** as in prior notes from Father Craig, the Alpha program was taken off the agenda until we see the response at the Harbor Beach site. There was continued discussion about additional Bible Study sessions.
7. **Comments from Parishioners:** Ron said the response to the Bible Study consisted of 13/15 participants at most amongst the 4 sessions. Everyone participated and stated the Study was simple and non-intimidating to new Bible Study participants. There was conversation with interest in studying the four Gospels by breaking down the Bible Studies into four separate venues.