

St. Petronille Church

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

1. Call to Order: St. Petronille Parish Council did not meet due to Capital Campaign update and celebration reception in PLC attended by a majority of council members. Commission report highlights are included below.
2. Opening Prayer:
3. Attendance: N/A
4. Parishioner Participation* (if any): None
5. Approval of minutes from last meeting: N/A
6. Approval of Agenda: N/A
7. Commission Reports
 - a. **Finance** (Tom Kane): No report
 - b. **Worship** (Joseph Dougherty reported): Highlights from February 7 meeting include:
 - Fr. Milota gave updates on Capital Campaign, Parish Lenten Mission, Easter season liturgical calendar, upcoming sacrament celebrations (Conformation and First Communions), Divine Mercy Sunday, and May Crowning
 - Eric R shared news of Fr. Palmer's generous gift of his personal pipe organ
 - Deacon John reported on improving EMHC sign up and check in
 - Adoration entry code issue were discussed
 - Keith N voiced need for additional live streaming volunteer
 - Lisa A promoted Nights of Mercy events as part of wider National Eucharistic Revival effort
 - c. **School Board** (Robert VanWitzenburg) No report
 - d. **Religious Education** (Eileen Buccola reported) Highlights from February 4 meeting include announcement that new board member Colin Leicht will join in January at next meeting. Other:
 1. *Young Adult/Youth Ministry*
 - Carina's replacement to being work on February 13

2. *Religious Ed - Julie*

- Discussed Confirmation, First Communions, May Crowning for RE, school/RE curriculum alignment, social media, Donut Sunday, reintroduction of Parish Life Committee

3. *Adult Ministry - Kathy* No report

e. **Christian Service** (Maureen Shekleton). Highlights from February 9 meeting include:

- **GEFP:** Demand continues to increase ; added eve hours for 18 families and hope to open new building in April
- **GEWIM/ESSE/Bridge:** volunteers will be requested through parish communications; one of St Pet sponsored mothers was chosen as speaker at the Bridge fundraiser March 11
- **SVDP:** added grant assistance reflects increased rental rates and projected decrease in SNAP benefits. SVDP stores in West Chicago and Addison have 99 cent sales on Mondays (clothes and home goods)
- **MOC:** 16 parishioners are now receiving Communion at home; 23 current ministers
- **MC:** added some Tuesday afternoon hours and will have a volunteer to assist with using sign up app and coordinating volunteers; intake forms now available in Spanish in addition to English and Arabic

8. Pastor's Report: N/A

9. Pending Business: N/A

10. New Business: N/A

11. Executive Session (if necessary called by Pastor or President): N/A

12. Closing Prayer: N/A

13. Adjournment: N/A

Next regular meeting – Tuesday, March 21, 2023

***Parishioners are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings and speak during Parishioner Participation**