

**St. Christopher - St. Patrick Church**

**Parish Council Meeting - Minutes for 7/14/2016**

<b>Attendees:</b>		
Bob Hemsing (President)	Frank Streng (Secretary)	Rev. George Oonnoony (Pastor)
Dan Keon (Finance Director)	Rev. Matthew Cherian	Rosa Sanmartin
Brian Murphy	Jane Reichard	Mary Chopyack
Mary Jane Everett	Barbara Grady	Eugene R. D'Onofrio

1. **Minutes of Prior Meeting of 6/16/16.** Minutes approved from our meeting of June 16, 2016, with corrections.

2. **Committee Reports.**

a. **Religious Education & Youth Ministry.** Lisa Quist could not attend. She reports that registration is underway for CCD, and that more than 100 students are enrolled to date. In addition, dates for 2016-17 sacraments are also set. We will also have altar server and youth lector training in early September. Finally, the WIRED car wash was a success; we made over \$250.

b. **Web Site.** Frank Streng gave a detailed report on the web site. We also had a wide-ranging discussions on the use of Parish Pay. Frank will report further at our next meeting.

c. **Communications.** Frank Streng gave a detailed report on efforts, through the Logos system, to develop a comprehensive database for our parishioners, including email addresses. Frank recommended that, effective immediately, we should undertake to obtain contact information, including email addresses, from all of our parishioners. Frank will report further at our next meeting

d. **Liturgy.** President Hemsing reported that, starting August 1, 2016, he will take responsibility for dealing with the monthly schedule for ministers and lectors.

e. **Fundraising Committee.**

- i. New Light Poles. President Hemsing advise that the pole lights were ordered and will soon be installed, but fundraising continues to pay for them.
  - ii. Golf Outing. President Hemsing gave us a report on the golf outing on 9/18, including the success of himself and Dan Keon on the solicitation of sponsors.
  - iii. Work at Rectory. Presiding Hemsing gave a report as to the work to be done, including the need to take down a tree as part of the work.
- f. Finance Committee.
  - i. Dan Keon's Reports. Dan Keon distributed his reports for the period 9/2015 through 6/2016. Dan provided an analysis of the reports, including an analysis of both the Buchanan and Verplanck locations.
  - ii. Ad Hoc Committee. Frank Streng gave a report on the ad hoc committee that will endeavor to expand our weekly collections. Brian Murphy has also joined the committee, and we shall shortly proceed with our work, with the objective of moving forward with a program that begins in September.

### 3. New Business.

- a. Parish Deacon. Father George reports that, with the leave of absence of Deacon Vince, he undertook to obtain another deacon. He has reached agreement with St. Augustine's on obtaining a reassignment on one of that parish's deacons, and our new deacon, effective this week, will be Deacon John Barbera.
- b. New Church Name. Effective 9/1/2016, the new name of the church will be the Roman Catholic Church of Saint Christopher and Saint Patrick. Father George reported different details on the consolidation, and we had a discussion as to different issues as to the new name.
- c. Multi-Cultural Festival. Rosa Sanmartin reports that our multi-cultural festival will take place on September 25<sup>th</sup> after the 11:30 a.m.

4. **Adjournment.** We adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm. Our next meeting shall be on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm.

Submitted,

Frank Streng, Secretary