



ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES

CHURCHES OF: HOLY FAMILY, ST. BERNARD, ST. PATRICK, ST. MARTHA, ST. ADALBERT

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Date: June 5, 2024

Location: St Bernards Meeting Room

The meeting of the St. Jeanne Jugan Parish Council was called to order by President, Josh Sullivan, at 7:00 p.m.

Member Attendance: (X – present, EX – Excused, G – guest)

<u>X</u> Susan Carullo	<u>X</u> Donna Jones Searle	<u> </u> Ed Mickiewicz	<u> </u> Sally Siemionko
<u>X</u> Sue Cotter	<u> </u> Fr. Matthew Kappalumakkel	<u>X</u> Vicki Mitchell	<u> </u> Michael Smyth
<u>X</u> Mark DiBacco	<u>X</u> Pat Keck	<u> </u> Charlene Mongillo	<u>X</u> Josh Sullivan
<u>X</u> Susann Douglas	<u>X</u> Monica Kedzior	<u> </u> Dcn. Vince Motto	<u>X</u> Marianne Tittarelli
<u> </u> Donna Doyker	<u> </u> Walter Kruzel	<u> </u> Sophia Oppenheimer	<u> </u> Dcn. Michael Torres
<u>X</u> Kristen Fitzsimons	<u>X</u> Joseph Kubinski	<u> </u> Jackie Proto	<u> </u> Fr. Robert Villa
<u>X</u> Fr. John Golas	<u>X</u> Bill Landry	<u> </u> Marie Pyznar	<u>X</u> Ralph Williams
<u>X</u> BJ Gomeau	<u>X</u> Ryan LaRoche	<u>X</u> Dcn. Paul Robert	<u>X</u> Kerri Work
<u> </u> David Goyette	<u>X</u> Dcn. James Marco	<u>X</u> Darlene Saucier	<u> </u> MaryAnn Zaleski
<u> </u> Donna Honan	<u>X</u> Ray Mercik	<u>X</u> Faith Scavetta	<u> </u>

Opening Prayer: Mark 3:20-35. Jesus return home was not fully understood by those close to Him as they did not see Him as building the family of God. Thought: Often we go out on our own trying to figure things out and as a result separate ourselves from the support we can get from God who is with us and our family.

Opening Remarks: Josh thanked those who have served on council whose terms have expired, and to welcome all new members. He also introduced the Neocatechumenal Way who were there to speak on their works and the catechesis planned for the fall of 2024.

Agenda Items:

Approval of minutes from the May 7, 2024 meeting: Approved

Committee Reports (S – as submitted by committee)



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Facilities (Ryan LaRoche): S

Legion of Mary (Jackie Proto) S:

Prayer Shawls/Bears (Debbie Reith):

Senior Lunch (Claire Bronson):

Rosary Guild (chairperson TBA):

Pro Life Committee (Donna Doyker) S:

Religious Education (Pat Keck) S:

St. Bernard Schools (Charlene Mongillo) S:

St. Vincent dePaul – Holy Family (Dave Goyette) S:

The St. Vincent de Paul conference of Holy Family church continues to serve nearly 30 families monthly with various needs. The conference also works closely with the department of social services and the Enfield police department with referrals of individuals who also have various needs.

The conference meets in person on the first Friday of each month at 9:30 am

St. Vincent dePaul – St. Bernard (BJ Gomeau) S:

May 6th 2024 meeting virtual: 8 members in attendance

April 2024, we served 2 clients:

- 1.) Offered to help a man with housing at Motel 6. He never showed.
- 2.) Helped a family with 3 nights at Motel 6, and some grocery gift cards

New Business:

- No new business to report

Old Business:

- We all aligned on only serving clients from the Enfield Community
- We continue to search for new members. Looking for ideas to recruit new members

June 3rd 2024 meeting virtual: 9 members in attendance

May 2024, we received 0 calls for assistance

New Business:

- Group will meet in Aug for a Summer Picnic

Old Business:

- No new business to report



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Women's Guild (Faith Scavetta & MaryAnn Zaleski) S:

Officers were elected at the May Meeting. Faith Scavetta and MaryAnn Zaleski continue as co-presidents for a fourth year. Lorraine Andexler continues as treasurer for a third term. Jane Suphin will continue as secretary for a second year.

The May meeting featured Gardner Joe Sikorski. He spoke about herbs and vegetables and held a Q&A. He has a wealth of knowledge. In addition, members volunteered to plant herb containers which were given out to members through a drawing. There were 31 members in attendance. Maggie Griffin spoke at our May meeting about her personal involvement at Steubenville East. She was candid, funny and overjoyed by her life changing experience. Kristen Fitzsimons also shared insight into what she has seen and answered questions. The members voted to provide \$100 per student attending to help with the cost for a total of \$2100.

Our June Banquet is on Tuesday the eleventh at Grassmere Country Club. Fifty-three members are attending.

Enjoy your summer!

MaryAnn Zaleski and Faith Scavetta

Worship & Parish Life (Sue Cotter) S:

Youth Ministry (Kristen Fitzsimons):

Old Business:

Parish Carnival – Turnout was good with accounts settled.

Vacation Bible School – Reminder issued by Josh Sullivan.

Worship and Parish Life – Information about new mass schedule will be in bulletin insert.

Committee for SJJ Parish Picnic – A meeting will be scheduled and coordinated by Kristen.

New Business:

Notice of Parish Council Meetings – Meeting notice to be placed in Bulletin.

Update to SJJ Website – The website will be updated to include the churches of St. Patrick and St. Martha.

Pastoral Report: Fr. Golas

SJJ Carnival – Fr. Golas expressed thanks for great weather and good turnout.



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Feast of Corpus Christi – Procession was well attended and was a visible sign to the community of our faith and that the Eucharist is important to us.

St. Marthas Parking Lot – Permission was received from the Archbishop to do the paving work. All final legal matters and details of paving work are being resolved. Fr. Golas addressed questions and concerns from Council members.

St. Adalberts Sale (with additional comments from Dcn. Paul Robert) – Majority of the funds from sale (around \$564,000) went into endowment fund.

Duplex at St. Patrick's – Permission has been given to market the property. Property is empty and largely in good condition due to renovation work.

Parish Center and old Convent – Still looking at options of how to disposition the property. The insurance company would like to settle the claim for the freeze damage. Repair of the damage is estimated at \$90,000. The finance committee is looking at the options.

Parish Picnic – Kristen brought up the need for volunteers, and a reminder that the Parish Council is the host for the event and that all members should look to participate in running the picnic. Fr. Golas echoed Kristens views, and stressed importance of everyone contributing to the effort.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Sep 3, 2024, 7:00 p.m. at:

 X Fr. Kerwan Hall of Holy Family Church

 Meeting room of St. Bernard's Church

Closing Prayer was led by Fr. Golas

Motion to adjourn was made by Ryan LaRoche, 2nd by Jim Marco

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Kubinski

Secretary