

Christ Sun of Justice Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2018, 6:30pm

Present: Fr. Edward Kacerguis (Pastor), Joe Romand (Deacon), John Torborg (Knights), Daniel Trosa (Newman Fellowship) MaryAnn Carey, Fran Hyde, Jean Francois, Christine Relyea, Rogerio Rodrigues

Minutes: The minutes from the Sept. 25, 2018 meeting were approved.

Pastor's Report (Fr Ed Kacerguis):

Response has been positive to the \$1/month donation request to St. James School.

Election eve annual Spaghetti dinner to benefit the Soup Kitchen and local food pantries is Mon. Nov. 5 11-7:00. Our parish donates desserts.

Halloween party, Thanksgiving and Christmas events in the planning stage.

Kate Tozzi is holding an organizational meeting at her home to start up a women's group.

Alumni weekend events went well. Family weekend is this coming weekend. MaryAnn and John along with the Knights will host coffee hour.

In honor of the 50th anniversary, the NY General Assembly and Senate have put forth resolutions on our behalf. Congressman Paul Tonko, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, the Rensselaer County Legislature, and the City of Troy will also recognize our 50th with letters that we will display along with a Papal Blessing.

Each parish in the diocese in recent past were made to be individual corporations. Ed Spain and Fran Hyde are our current trustees and Paul and Mary Nagy will be our new trustees.

Building projects continue and should be complete by Christmas.

Newman Foundation Report (Fran Hyde):

The 50 year old chiller is currently being replaced and should be completely installed by next week.

The ongoing \$200k challenge is going well. \$16k more is needed.

All are encouraged to sign up with Amazon Smile to support the RNF.

Newman Fellowship (Daniel Trosa):

Working on building up a mailing list and getting their newsletter out.

This weekend they plan to make soup & sandwiches for Joseph's House.

They have been invited along with the Knights to a Halloween party with the Sage Newman group.

T-shirt design is in the works and they are working to engage students to boost participation.

Planning to help with Hospitality House improvements over the course of the year.

Knights Report (John Torborg):

A few new members were inducted and a few new students are interested.

They are helping with RPI Family Weekend coffee hour.

New polo shirts are on the way and they plan to help with Hospitality House improvements.

The few Knights that attended the College Councils Conference enjoyed their time and the speaker.

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Old Business:

The Craft Sale to benefit St. James school will begin Nov. 17 after the 2:00 concert and continue through all the Sunday masses on the 18th. Jean Francois and Christine Relyea held a crafting evening Oct. 11. and one upcoming on the 22nd at 6:30 in the Lounge to prepare items for the sale. Many items are leftover from last years sale and they are working on improving the ways to display items. Jean is advertising.

MaryAnn reported on the soup kitchen activities. Attendance is picking up. 27 were served last month. They are in need to gloves and socks for the Christmas dinner.

Seminar series: 2 speakers upcoming

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm.

Submitted by: Christine Relyea