

St. Gabriel the Archangel Church
Approved Parish Council Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2017

Members Present: Angela Buckley, Jennifer Fetz, Mark Frederick, Barbara Harbsmeier, Fr. Sean McKinley, Mike O'Neill, Richard Routt, Eric Schrenger, Matt Scobee, Kathy Stivers, Kate Temple, Miranda Wantland, Adrian Warfield; **Members Absent:** Deacon Stephen Bowling, Shawn Fox, Thomas Reardon, Fr. John Schwartzlose

Opening Prayer – presented by Miranda Wantland

November Parish Council Meeting Minutes – approved via email by the members of parish council

New Business:

- Audit Committee – Adrian Warfield presented that a committee of three people has been formed to focus on the financials of St. Gabriel and will cover all internal controls of all accounts held by St. Gabriel
- Eric Schrenger told the council of some Catholic Church communication tools that were located on internet that helps with providing daily education about Catholicism:
 - 1) Catechism in a Year – <http://flocknote.com/catechism>
 - 2) Popes in a Year – <http://flocknote.com/popes>
- Kathy Stivers, Assistant Principal of St. Gabriel School, reported that the Accreditation of Schools team will be at St. Gabriel School on February 15, 2017 and she said that the school personnel are completely ready
- Fr. John Schwartzlose sent out an invitation to the team to go visit St. Gabriel Park structures and to offer suggestions on any repairs, renovations, appropriate living areas for the clergy or anything that we feel needs to be done to the property and existing structures; the Administration committee will spearhead this project
- Visioning Process – members of the Parish Council met with Sal Della Bella, Director of Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Louisville, in November 2016 to come up with a vision of what the Parish Council at St. Gabriel should look like and to help identify a purpose
- Wayfinding – Miranda Wantland attended this committee meeting; there were approximately 10 people at the meeting along with the Design firm; they looked at signage, consistency in messages and logos

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Worship – presented by Barbara Harbsmeier – 1) Christmas decorations were beautiful – we applaud the Arts and Environment Committee; the Arts and Environment committee is looking into banners for outside that can be changed seasonally; 2) Therese Brennan has RCIA welcoming on Sunday, January 15, 2017 and they will have Reconciliation on January 29, 2017; 3) We are changing the intersessions at daily Masses – they will not be vocal anymore, but silent and in your mind instead; 4) Steve Bennett had the first Eucharistic Ministers' training – ten people came to the class; 5) Deacon Stephen Bowling is working on Roman Missal Nuggets that he will schedule beginning in Lent

Social Justice – presented by Matt Scobee – "Catholics at the Capitol" at St. Gabriel – will meet Tuesday, January 24th at 7pm in the St. Gabriel Loft for a discussion with State Representative Kevin Bratcher on bills under consideration during the 2017 legislative session in Frankfort; the discussion will be led by Mark Bouchard of Catholic Charities of Louisville – the discussion will be focused on the issues

promoted by the Catholic Conference of KY (ccky.org) such as: abolition of the death penalty, healthcare and refugees; the goal of this event (and other “Catholics at the Capitol” events) is to show firsthand how the legislative process works, in particular that we – as faithful citizens – should follow the legislative process, inform ourselves about the issues and let our representatives know how we would like for them to vote

Next Parish Council Meeting – will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 6:30pm in Loft 2; opening prayer will be presented by Adrian Warfield and closing prayer will be presented by Kate Temple

Closing Prayer – presented by Kathy Stivers

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Fetz, Secretary of St. Gabriel Parish Council