

**St. John the Baptist Mary Vianney – Parish Council Meeting Minutes**  
**October 6, 2016**  
**7:00 – 8:00 Parish Offices**

**Preparation for this meeting**

- Please read:** Previous meeting minutes and action items  
**Please update:** On your action items or status of work in subcommittees  
**Please do:** Note when the next meeting will take place (calendar of upcoming meetings attached). Contact either Kim McCarthy or Tess Mota in-between meetings with items of interest to discuss at the next meeting.

**Council Members in Attendance**

✓	Pat Bradley	✓	Steve Lynch		Tess Mota
✓	Pat Draper	✓	Kim McCarthy	✓	Melissa Robichaud
✓	Paul Lambert	✓	Jason Macari	✓	Fr. Ray Theroux
✓	Patty Lambrou	✓	Adam Mercier		
				✓	Mike Arico (guest)
				✓	Denis Robichaud (guest)

**Call to Order**

*Prayer and Review/Approval of minutes*

**Old Business - Committee Reports and Updates**

*Continuing issues brought forward and updates from committees*

**1 Committee Reports:**

**Youth/Young Adult update/debrief on youth meetings and activities – Adam**

- Back to School Pasta Dinner on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Went very well. Just under 50 kids. Youth leadership team involved, interacted with kids from the parish. Mostly middle school kids; all feedback positive. Donated lots of school supplies to BF Norton in drive.
- Service opportunities: October is the Fall Family Festival. Thursday/Friday/Saturday for set up, break down, and assistance. Northern RI Food Pantry for November; working on that. Looking forward, using the app “unsung”, can post extra food to be picked up and brought to a food pantry or shelter. See if could do something similar at SJV. Sign up to be a volunteer or post an event (including urgent needs); maybe pilot it for a specific “event”. What about confidentiality, and getting folks to sign up vs. stigma?
- Survey sent out for meeting times with the youth as school starts. Trying to build this group as a “community” for the youth to support them on a spiritual and personal level. We are already seeing some of that. One of the members of the leadership team hosted a pool/pizza party for the youth.
- Engagement: Met with confirmation kids re: service hours and signing up for leadership team. Meeting with 7<sup>th</sup> grade students on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Flocknote is up and running if CCD kids want to use it, grouped by family/youngest child. Great tool because high percentages of messages are read.
- Instead of safe training, leadership committee will be more like executive committee and not interact with children. Still looking into other training resources.
- Diocesan youth minister meeting. Food, prayer, and reflection as a support group.
- Poll is being taken for next youth event – pumpkin painting/music event. They may also bring the leadership team to Haunted Labrynth in Cranston.



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**Perpetual Adoration – Jason and Mike**

- Folks are praying for the success of the adoration ministry.
- Adorer sign-ups and outreach: Right now, 215 have signed up for the adoration, all from SJV. Also reaching out within the Deanery, St. Joseph, St. Joan, the Sisters of Mercy, and La Sallette. We would like 2 for every hour, which would be about 368.
- Start date: Pushing start date for starting perpetual adoration out to December 8<sup>th</sup> (Immaculate Conception).
- Update on chapel construction:
  - Marble rescued from Mt. St. Rita chapel; one wall will be marble, and the inscription about the Host will sit above it. Also rescued some brass rails with Latin inscriptions to use in construction. Working to get stained glass windows for the chapel, repurposed or created/custom. Needs a separate HVAC system, which increased the scope and cost of the project.
  - Nest cam – one to use for security and another one focused on the Blessed Sacrament so those who cannot get to Adoration (shut-ins, etc.). Nest cams work on wi-fi, so there is no maintenance. Will add it now to get people thinking about it.
  - Outside door – keypad will be looked at for security.
- Fundraising: The goal is \$40,000, because some of the costs (particularly the need for a separate HVAC system) exceeded the initial estimate. We will use the money that Mike and Paul were able to earn from the copper salvaged from the Mt. St. Rita demolition for the chapel renovation project (\$1460).
- Communication: Need to keep the momentum going and getting people invested and excited about it. We will continue to communicate through bulletins and at Masses.
- Jason said if people have comments, questions or ideas, feel free to contact him via phone, email, etc.

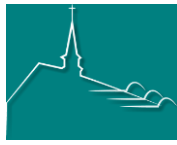
**Fall Family Festival, October 15th – Patty**

- Mike Arico and a new band (All Grateful) will provide the music.
- Food is all set – Marie Boutin and her husband are putting the food together/grilling as well.
- Penny Social has over 100 prizes, some really good ones. Also the 50/50 raffle will be held.
- There will be a bake sale, games of chance, ponies, knitted items, craft table, petting zoo, fire department/touch a truck. Some games/activities will be held outside at no cost (face painting, jack-o-lantern contest, etc.)
- Everything that costs money will be paid with tickets to minimize money changing hands. All tickets will be \$1. Cecile Letourneau will take care of the money; Denis offered to provide cash boxes. A few free tickets will be provided for each child so that no one is left out, even if unable to pay.
- Will have a sign up for Flocknote at the Fall Family Festival.
- All set with permits (not needed) and approval for the raffle tickets.
- Deacon Paul will make additional announcements at Masses this weekend.
- Youth will be helping by volunteering.
- T-Shirts will be made by Impact.
- Parking – if we need to, can park on the field.
- Info and schedule of events will be placed on the website.
- Volunteers to take care of the bathrooms.

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**2 Parish Engagement - Melissa**

- Parish Directory: we got a check for \$1200 for Lifetouch. Approximately 259 families participated. Cecile and Denis are working to get all the ministry photos taken. Melissa is putting the book together; it should be released early next year.
  - Ministry Leader Meeting: a ministry leader meeting will be held on November 16<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 7:30 in the church hall. Fr. Ray and Paul will lead this meeting. Every ministry and a couple of their members will be invited to come, and the entire Council is invited to attend this meeting for support.
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One of the purpose is to show gratitude for them, to hear what they are doing, and to offer support. Another purpose is to plant the seed that we want to see ministries grow, get more people in the parish involved, and get them excited about the work we are doing at the Council.

- Ministry Fair: We are hoping to hold a ministry fair weekend at the beginning of the year in the church hall. This would give an opportunity for current ministries to recruit for their ministry as well as provide an opportunity for someone who may have an idea for a new ministry to submit an idea.
- Regular Parish Engagement Committee meetings will begin again in October, and we will also reach out to see if there are other parishioners who would like to join.
- Documentary video: Date TBD – maybe as an engagement event at the movie theatre. The architect and stained glass window artist will be there.

**Discussion/New Business**

*Summary of Discussion*

Parish-wide service opportunity between the Fall Family Festival and Thanksgiving – Please send ideas to Kim regarding organizations to reach out to. [ON HOLD – TOO MUCH IS GOING ON – MAYBE NEXT YEAR]

For Christmas, we talked about sponsoring families. Reached out to Children’s Friend, and they are happy to provide us with information about children, and family, etc. So we can do a wrapping party, go shopping together, etc. Kim has spoken to Roger Doire of the St. John Vianney ; they are meeting tonight, will discuss, and get back to Kim.

Denis and website updates. Redesigned the website and will go live before Christmas. Update ministry pages, with hyperlinks for content. Search functionality. One time fee of \$25/fee for each page for each ministry. Also adding the forms to the site is easy to do and will expand for ministries

Watoto Children’s Choir: Performing at La Salette on the date of our next meeting (November 3). It is free and looks very inspirational. See attached flyer. Denis and Melissa are planning to go, and any Council members that want to go can attend together. We will change the date of the next meeting to November 10 to accommodate.

**Adjourn**

**Next Parish Council Meeting is on November 10th**

November						
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<b>27</b>	28	29	30			

December						
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