

**St. Timothy Parish Council
November 6, 2024
Parish Office Kitchen**

Minutes

MEMBERS

Fr. Rick Bolte - Present
Father Michael - Absent
Pastoral Council: Mary Finke (Chair) - Present
Greg Curtin (Secretary) - Absent
Lee Metzger (Vice Chair) - Present

Deanery: Adam Howard - Absent	Education: Sarah Beegle - Absent
Finance: Mike Brinker - Absent	Outreach: Eileen Messer - Present
Worship: David Krenk - Present	School: Deb Geers - Present
Fun & Fellowship: Vacant	

1. Call to Order: Mary Finke
2. Prayer Intentions: All
3. Opening Prayer: All
4. Approval of September minutes - Could not approve September minutes because we did not have quorum
5. Committee reports:
 - a. School - Deb Geers - Just got back from fall break today. Things are quiet right now.
 - b. Diocesan Deanery - Adam Howard - Minutes on file.
 - c. Education - Sarah Beegle. Minutes on file.
 - d. Fun & Fellowship - Vacant - No report.
 - e. Outreach - Eileen Messer. Had trouble with getting enough volunteers for Mary Rose Mission. Students have to be at least 14 and accompanied by a parent. Garden of Gratitude done in October. Down a little bit due to the weather. Looking at getting a plaque to put in the garden to honor those who have participated in the past. Dinner planned for the volunteers November 20. Ladies Night Out didn't happen in October due to the hurricane. In November there was a baby shower. Attendance was low but many many items were collected for the charities. CareNet was incredibly grateful. No service project date yet set for Welcome House grant. Community Service Day Nov. 9 - Brodnick Hall 12-3. Food Drive Nov. 9-10 for Thanksgiving. Angel tree tags to be displayed Nov. 16-17 for people to select. We are not doing shoes or bicycles this year.
 - f. Worship - David Krenk - September minutes on file.
 - g. Finance - Mike Brinker - Minutes from August and September on file, as well as Oktoberfest results. YTD through September, collections are \$19K over budget. YTD total income 8% over budget, expenses -4% below budget. It is still early in the year, and leaner months likely to come. Talk of redefining budget to more accurately reflect income/expenses when incurred, rather than dividing

annual numbers monthly. Committee is still working on paring down the deferred revenues list. Finally, the loan reduction payment has been applied from surplus. Another reduction could be applied from large pledge balance payment.

6. Pastors Report - Fr. Bolte

- a. Strategic Plans - We have the plan from Outreach; need from all other committees
- b. Columbarium update - Fr. Bolte sent the proposal to the Bishop, which Lee had forwarded from Greg. Fr. Bolte sent a reminder to the bishop and asked for a response within a week. We are still waiting on his response.
- c. Fund raising: Fr. Bolte, Lee Metzger, Deb Geers, and Jamie Hoppius are trying to put together a plan to work on the debt.
 - i. In the last year, we've paid \$100,000 in interest on the loan. We can't afford that. Our budget is tight this year.
 1. We owe around \$300K to the banks and \$1.2M to the diocese
 - ii. Letters are ready to go out - 4 types
 1. Letters to people who pledged and completed it, asking them to extend their pledge by 2 years
 2. Letters to people who pledged and are still working on it
 3. Letters to parishioners who have never made a pledge
 4. Letters to school parents who have never made a pledge
 - iii. We're looking at a dinner for people who have pledged more than \$10K
 - iv. Trees - Fr. Bolte has been meeting with Todd Baeten about additional trees.
 1. We'll replace any trees that have been lost, as well as adding new trees

7. Old Business

- a. Update on the new web site - Leann is going to be working on this with the assistance of Tom Manning
- b. No corrections were given for the Parish Council Committees, so the attached list is correct.

8. New Business

- a. Mass Count Comparison (Attached)

Next Meeting - December 4th at 7:00 PM