

**St. Michael's Church
Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes for 02/06/18**

Members present: Father Jeff, Carmella Owen, Peter Vogt, Terry Clark, Lee Lauster, Chris Hasseler, Bridget Mann, Pauline DeCann, June Sherman, Joe Malach, Henry Hann, Gina Porter

Members absent: Joe Loson, Theresa McCue, Isabella Bailey

Opening Prayer: Peter Vogt

The minutes from December 5, 2017 were approved

- **Pastor's Report Highlights (complete report included with the minutes)**
 - Father Jeff gave an update of the Financial Report. The updated report will be included in the February 10, 2018 Bulletin to provide a comprehensive look at the financial status of the Parish for all parishioners.
 - Parish Festival – An open meeting regarding the festival was held in January. Over twenty people attended the meeting. After considerable discussion it was decided to move ahead with the festival. At this time there will not be carnival rides. There will be some site restrictions due to the anticipated road construction on Route 88.
 - On January 31 there was a Regional Planning Meeting. Considerable data collection relative to distances between churches, mass schedules, attendance, ministries, etc. will be gathered and analyzed. The process is anticipated to take one year. We should anticipate that change would happen. Information will be distributed in a uniform manner so that all parishes receive the same information in the same format.
 - Greeter Ministry – Currently this ministry is part of the duties of the Parish Council. There was a discussion relative to the benefits of opening up this ministry to anyone who feels drawn to take part. There was agreement

that the Greeter Ministry has value. Father Jeff has a copy of a sample set of guidelines for the ministry. Continued discussion of a Greeter Ministry will be on future agendas.

- Upcoming events for the month of February were reviewed.

- **New Business**

- Parish Council Membership – 5 current members will complete their terms of service this year. Members have the option of submitting their names for a second three-year term. There was a discussion of the optimal number of Council members. We currently have 12 adult and 2 youth representatives.

- **Questions/Concerns by Council Members**

- There was a request for information regarding the status of hiring a new Youth Minister. The position has been posted and we are prayerful that the position will soon be filled

- **Closing Prayer:** Carmella Owen

Next Meeting: March 6, 2018 at 6:30

Opening Prayer: Lee Lauster

Closing Prayer: Joe Malach

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Hann