

Summary of Parish Council Minutes for September 11, 2018

1. **Opening Prayer** – Fr. Nick led the opening prayer.
2. **Roll Call** – Excused: Debbie Augusta, Judy Nugent, Betty Partridge.
3. **Approval of Minutes** – Corrected and approved by unanimous consent.
4. **Old Business** –
 - **Pastor's Report** – Religious Education Schools opened this month. Youth spaghetti dinner held September 29. First Family Mass is October 7. Catechetical Sunday is September 16 at the 10:30 Mass. St. Catherine's will add 8th grade next year. Our Lady of Grace received a check for \$11,000 from Women's Guild to put towards new carpet in the church. Stewardship Day is October 3 in Ft. Myers.
 - **Finance Report** – Total income was up only slightly last year due to Hurricane Irma. It was recommended to take the interest in the investment account and apply towards the new wing at St. Catherine's. Motion was made, seconded, and voted on to present \$120,000 to the school. CFA surplus was approved to establish scholarship tuition to subsidize OLOG students who wish to attend St. Catherine's.
 - **Religious Education** – Religious Ed office hours were added in August and September to accommodate families for registration. Welcome back dinner for teachers held August 23. Confirmation was October 22. Fall Festival was October 24. Annual Poinsettia Sale October 24 through December 5. Pick up is on Saturday, December 8 at Religious Ed Building.
 - **Building and Maintenance** – Grogan Center floor has been stripped and waxed at cost of \$2500. Crosson & Payne completed trimming trees. Bids are being secured for replacement of carpet in the church,
 - **Technology and Communications** – Photos and calendars for the website are continually being updated. All dates for parish events are posted on website.
 - **Community Life Report – Church Service Center**—serving average of 375 people, 13,000 pounds of food distributed, 425 volunteer hours. **Knights of Columbus** started serving breakfast on September 9.
 - **Hispanic Ministry** – Piedad Noriega attended V Encuentro Conference in Grapevine, Texas to get Spanish community more involved in the church. Registration for formation class has begun. Plans for International Food Festival is going well. Teresa Torres reported that the Hispanic Prayer group is going well.
 - **Women's Guild** – First meeting is October 10. Welcome Tea October 21. Spaghetti Dinner November 17. Christmas Luncheon December 12. Rummage Sale January 25 %26. Tour of Tables February 20. **Social Ministry** – Prepared welcome back dinner for Religious Ed Teachers on August 23. Valentine's Dance February 16, 2019. Assisting with golf tournament March 2.
 - **Adjournment and Closing Prayer** – Next meeting 6 PM November 13, 2018 Grogan Center.