

Summary of Parish Council Minutes for May 22, 2019, Meeting

1. **Opening prayer** – Fr. Stewart led the opening prayer.
2. **Roll Call** – present: Judy Pounds, Piedad Sarmiento-Noriega, Debbie Augusta, Betty Partridge, Teresa Torres, Maureen Cool, Darlyne Devany, Karen Hecker and Jim McGann. Excused: Judy Nugent and Tina Starling.
3. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes were approved as read.
4. **Old Business:**
 - **Finance Report** – Betty Partridge, chair, reported that 2019 CFA has received \$72,001.59 (61%) of its goal of \$117, 000, which is down \$44,998.41 over same period for last year. The gain in OLG investment account with the DOV for the year is \$127, 275.90. \$35,000 was withdrawn to offset downturn in offertory. Expenses are down \$16,233.97 for 3rd quarter; total loss in offertory for 3rd quarter \$18,716.87. Fr. Stewart recommended a second collection once-a-month to offset deficit for 2019 CFA.
 - **Religious Education** – 54 young parishioners received 1st Communion May5th. Ladies Guild thanked for providing reception; Judy Pounds thanked for photos. Last day of class for grades Pre-K – 5, May 19; for grades 6 – 11, May 22. Catechists thanked for their dedication. Classes will resume in fall Sept. 8 for Pre-K to 5 &, Sept. 11 for grades 6 – 11.
 - **Building & Grounds** – Dennis Kellner, chair, recommended that annual maintenance be done to the Grogan Center floor. Capital improvements are on hold. Important that all volunteers familiarize themselves with food handling policies contained in the Food Safety Manuel.
 - **Community Life** – Karen Hecker, chair, reported that the **Church Service Center (CSC)** served 404 families in March and 560 families in April. John Jeffo welcomed 80 volunteers to the annual appreciation dinner in the Grogan Center. **The K of C** served breakfast on the 1st Sundays of the month; served Fish dinners on Fridays of Lent; provided funds for \$1,000 scholarship; raised \$801 from Tootsie Roll drive for ARC; presented check for \$6,000 to “Choices” to assist young women with stress related pregnancies; led Divine Mercy Sunday Rosary & Benediction. **Meals-on-Wheels** continues to grow and is looking to add a 3rd route. There is a need for drivers. Contact Pat Wedge 13wedgeGP@gmail.com
 - **Hispanic Ministry** – funded Mothers’ Day Carnations and Fathers’ Day keychains. There is a \$1,000 Humberto Ramirez scholarship to be awarded at Graduates Mass. Plans are underway for International Food Festival and for Guadalupe Festival and Mass. Teresa Torres reported Hispanic Retreat with Fr. Nieli was well received. She thanked Women’s Guild for its support.
 - **Women’s Guild** – Debbie Augusta (chair) reported that the Women’s Guild awarded \$2,000 to Samaritan Touch; \$2,000 to Church Service Center; 2 \$1,000 scholarships to OLG graduates. It plans to purchase and install handicap grab bars for both men’s and women’s bathrooms in the Grogan Center. It will order and replenish dishes for the Grogan Center. Guild will have social meetings on Wednesdays during summer months; will host Fr. Leo’s 90th birthday.
 - **March Meeting Date Change** – Council members, by unanimous vote, changed Parish Council meeting in March from 2nd Tuesday to 1st Tuesday.
 - **Installation of Security Cameras** – Fr. Stewart reported that the Diocese was recommending the installation of Safety and security cameras at exits in all Church Buildings.
 - **Adjournment & Closing Prayer** – Sept 10, Parish Council meeting, Grogan Center, 6 p.m.