

Good Shepard Parish
5050 Oak Street
Hope Mills, NC 28348

**Parish Council Meeting
May 16, 2016**

Opening Prayer

Minutes Review/Approval

Agenda Review-Additions

Ministry Review

Pro Life - Rhonda

Stewardship/Finance - Steve

Catechesis - Tricia

Youth – Daniella Rizzotto – update on “Communication Night”

Others

San Isidore - looking for new rep

Old Business

- Healing the parish
- Janice - Natural Family Planning – update
- Music and choir
- Holy Stitchers – relocation
- Panic Door quotes
- Pilgrimage to the Holy Doors at the Basilica Shrine at St. Mary’s in Wilmington, NC – June 4th – update

New Business

- Senior Parking
- Parish App
- Lights on corner of church toward drive
- Fan in nursery
- Choir loft
- Committee for Sick/Homebound
- Christmas in July event

Pastor’s Comments

Next Meeting: Monday, June 20, 7pm

Closing Prayer

MINUTES

Good Shepherd Catholic Church Parish Pastoral Council

Regular meeting of the Parish Council held on April 18, 2016

Following the opening prayer, the meeting was called to order at 7:02pm

Parish Council members present: Ronda, Frank, Mike, Barbara, Steve, Dina, Paul, Daniella, Doug

Staff: Janice

Clergy: Fr. Gaul

Parish Council members absent: Christine, Alex, Katrina

Minutes Review/Approval:

Committee Reports

Please check the attached handouts for each committee

Pro-Life - Ronda – No Report

Ronda knows of several parishioners who do not have a ride to Church. She would like to offer to pick them up and bring them. She had asked if the Parish would be able to provide a van and allow her to drive it to pick up parishioners. Fr. Gaul stated that the insurance would be too much for the Church to afford. If she wanted to provide transportation for these parishioners, that would be fine.

Stewardship/Finance - Steve – As of the end of March, we were at 73% of 75% for the income side of the budget

71.1% of 75% for the expense side of the budget

We are out of the red and \$10,587.52 in the black

Steve submitted a Memorandum from the Finance Council that he asked all of us to read and give our input. He would like to place in the bulletin in the near future.

Catechesis -Trisha – Was not present, but her report was read.

Youth - Daniella – We currently have 16 followers on Twitter. Twitter and Instagram have been updated. The High School Hunger Strike for April 30/May 1 has been placed on Twitter.

Since the Social Media night did not happen last month, she will get with Trisha to coordinate when to hand out the flyer and tell kids about our social media sites.

Daniella is interested in teaching a class to the older generation on Social Media. Dina will add it to the agenda for next month.

Suggestion: add our Twitter and Instagram accounts to the bulletin

St. Isidore - Christine – No Report. Still looking for a new representative.

Old Business

Healing the Parish - ongoing

Natural Family Planning – Natural Family Planning (NFP) Week is July 22-29. We will see if we can get a class on July 23. Promote NFP during Summer Bible Experience.

Music and choir – no new ideas or developments.

Holy Stitchers – still looking at different locations.

Meetings will be held the third Monday of the month with the exception of Holy Week and Advent.

Feedback on Best Lent - Jan Carnahan is doing a follow up class on Sunday, May 1, 1pm.

Panic Doors – A parishioner had asked his company if they would be able to install the panic doors and he stated on Saturday, April 16 that his company is unable to install panic doors. Frank Hogan will get find someone to come out and give an estimate.

New Business

Pilgrimage to the Holy Doors at the Basilica Shrine at St. Mary's n Wilmington NC – sign-ups are going well. We have about 15 people signed up to date, 10 of those wanting a bus. Will keep it open for a few more weeks.

Welcome Table – Have not had a great response for volunteers to man the Welcome Table. We will not worry about a computer to allow online sign-ups – ask youth to help.

Coffee Bar – not making coffee except for at the 8:30 Mass. We will ask the youth to sign-up beginning in September.

Open volunteering for youth in school who need hours for the Welcome Table and Coffee bar.

Minutes/Reports/Dates on website (dates in bulletin) – Minutes have been added to the website. We will add the dates of the meetings and ask Rachele to place on the website that these are business meetings but are not open to the public. Parishioners can request to add something to our agenda and attend meeting with prior coordination. If anybody has a suggestion, they can talk with Dina Simcox (whose information is on the front of the bulletin), or place it in the Parish Council Suggestion Box.

Next Meeting: Monday, May 16, 7pm.

After closing prayer, meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectively submitted,

Janice Scott

Approval of Minutes:

Rev. Thomas J. Gaul

Dina Simcox, Chairperson

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Update from San Isidro Catholic Mission

May 15th, 2016

- Catechesis: As of today, we have over 100 children and young people registered in the program for the 2016-17 school year. Fourteen (14) children in First communion. Eight (8) Young adults in Confirmation and one (1) Catechumen are in the numbers.
- Again thank you so much for the generosity of the Good Shepherd community (Women of Charity) for the Easter Bags we received.
- Continue to work on the two additional Classrooms at the Pavilion, to accommodate, the Catechesis program. We expect to have them ready for August first day of Class.
- We are offering Basic Catechist courses from the Diocese at San Isidro. The next course is Introduction to Christian Prayer on May 28th and June 18th 2016 from 9 AM – 3 PM. The next course will be Introduction to Christian Morality to begin on July 30th. All courses are in coordination with the Diocese Office of Catechist and offered in English.
- Year of Mercy. The community is planning a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe on Newton Grove September 17th.
- Confirmation (10 Young people) at St Elizabeth was April 21st and First Communion (17 children) May 1st during both Masses.
- Cemetery. Everyone at Good Shepherd is invited to donate \$500 for perpetual care and reserve a plot. One person can be buried per plot or up to three cremated remains could be buried in one single plot.
- Church Website. We invite you to get news and information about the mission at our website: WWW.SICCNC.ORG Please take a look and enjoy it!
- Father Jack continues to celebrate Mass each Sunday and days of obligation. He (Fr. Jack) likes to take a weekend off a month, so we are looking for priests within the diocese to come and celebrate the mass with us. Fr. Mike Travaglione, a retired Chaplain from Fort Bragg, and MSGR Shugrue have been very helpful. We are very grateful to Fr. Jack and other Priests for their commitment to our Community.
- *Currently in the process of looking for a volunteer to be the new representative from the Mission.*

Respectfully submitted,
DCN Nay Henriquez

Report of the Parish Finance Council – May 16, 2016

Income and Expenses vs. Parish Budget as of 4/30/2016: (83% thru budget year)

		<u>% of Budget</u>
Income:	Operating: \$407,173.52	74
	Offertory: \$280,836.96	75
	Donations: \$7,909.00	37
	Special Collections: \$53,184.31	119
	Rebates: \$12,448.8	43
	Fees: \$9,480.95	52
	Fundraising: \$26,079.3	81
	Non-operating: \$54,132.22	196
	Total: \$461,305.74	80

Expenses:	Operating: \$361,968.89	93
	Word: \$8,073.89	75
	Worship: \$16,779.78	72
	Service to Others: \$14,204.03	45
	Administration: \$322,911.19	129
	Non-operating: \$78,464.98	68
	Total: \$440,433.87	76

Surplus: \$20,871.87 (≈3.6% of budget)

Savings Account Balances as of 4/30/2016:

Checking:	\$39,350.38	
General Savings:	\$56,543.27	
Maloney Chapel:	<u>\$126,344.00</u>	
Total:	\$222,237.65	

Good Shepherd Parish Hall Loan Account Balance as of 4/30/2016: \$6,027.47
(Paying down at \$1,200/month; paid off in September 2016)

Mother Parish Land Loan (San Isidro) Account Balance as of 4/30/2016: \$197,704.22
(Paying down at \$1,600/month; paid off in July 2026)

Notes:

- FY 16-17 Budget Development Timeline
 - 18-31 May Budget Submissions
 - 1-6 June Budget Compilation by PFC
 - 7-9 June Budget Q&A
 - 13-16 June PFC Meeting & Budget Review
 - 20 June Budget Review by PC
 - 21-24 June Final Adjustments
 - 27-30 June Pastoral Approval & Submission to DOR

Religious Education Classes:

- Last class for children and youth was May 1
- Registration forms for 2016-2017 are available in the gathering area - 103 children have been registered to date.
- Calendar for class dates for 2016-17 is set.
- We are still in need several new catechists and aides this year due to retirement, deployment and families moving out of state.
 - Follow-up on new volunteers is continuing.
- 1. First day of classes will be Sunday, September 11 as a "Welcome and Meet the Catechists"
- 2. Catechetical Sunday for the 2016-2017 Year is September 18, 2016.
 - The theme for this year will be "Prayer: The Faith Prayed"

First Holy Communion:

- 10 of our children/youth received their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 15.
- 15 more will receive this sacrament on Sunday, May 22 at the 8:30 Mass.

Summer Bible Experience:

- Planning is on-going.
- Announcements are in the bulletin.
- Sign-ups will begin next month.

RCIA:

- Inquiry sessions are continuing.

May Crowning:

- Took place at the 11:30 Mass on Sunday, May 1 in the church.

Pilgrimage to Basilica of St. Mary – Holy Door

- Arranged with John Walsh, DRE at St. Mary Basilica for Saturday, June 4th from 10-12.
- We have 42 people on the sign-up sheet as of this past Sunday.
- Information is being gathered regarding a van or bus.
 - St. Anne bus is the most reasonable and has been penciled in.

Evangelization Team:

- We have received the books: "Fit For Heaven" which will be handed out to male parishioners to help men recognize their unique and valuable role in our families, society and our church.
- We will have a meeting this Friday, May 20 to discuss the outcome of the parish survey and future programs that may be offered in our parish.

SET:

- There is a need for more Level "C" trained volunteers to support Youth Ministry. Training sessions will be scheduled for both late summer, early autumn and throughout the year as needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Trisha Martin-Kamionka