

**Minutes of the 451st Meeting
Saint Stephen Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council**

May 12, 2016

Members Present: Fr. Jerry Riney, Christy Ellis, Mark Heinz, Ron Bornander, Teresa Brown, Bo Ivey, John McNulty

Members Absent: John Calhoun, Haley Fitzgerald, Lottie Miller

Parish Team: Fr. Suneesh Mathew, Deacon Dirck Curry, Donna Murphy

I. Opening

Christy Ellis, chair, opened the meeting at 6:00 PM. The minutes were approved as written for the April 14, 2016, meeting.

II. Scripture – *At Home with the Word*

PPC members read the first Scripture Reading for May 15, 2016. Fr. Jerry asked, “What does Pentecost mean to you? What is your experience with the Holy Spirit?” The group shared their thoughts concerning these questions.

III. Stewardship Report

John McNulty reported that Donna Tarantino would begin her position as Director of Stewardship June 1, 2016.

IV. Liturgy and Worship Report

Fr. Jerry stated approximately 100 people attended the outdoor May Crowning. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, May 29, 2016, immediately after the 11:00 AM Mass, St. Stephen Cathedral will have a procession, with the Blessed Sacrament, to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel at Brescia University.

The Tri-parish Mission will be held October 24-27, 2016.

V. Finance Report

Fr. Jerry announced the budget was not ready for the PPC meeting. Eddy McFarland has been working diligently to get financial records up to date.

VI. Education Report

Deacon Dirck reported a movie would be shown on May 22, 2016, at 5:00 PM. A meal will also be served featuring Holy Spirit Soup. Vacation Bible School will be held the third week of June.

Fr. Suneesh reported our High School Graduates are to be honored at the May 14, 2016, 5:00 PM Mass. A reception will be held in the Fr. Vaughan Community Center after the Mass. The Youth Group is looking for service projects and outside activities.

VII. Community and Family Enrichment Report

A welcome reception, hosted by the welcoming committee, will be held on June 2, 2016, from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. Ten new parishioners have been invited to the party.

VIII. Communications Report

Bo Ivey presented the revised Safety Plan. The plan will be presented to the Liturgy Committee.

IX. Building & Grounds Report

Ron Bornander reported 10 people helped with the Spring Clean Up/Spruce up Day on March 19, 2016. Another Clean Up Day needs to be placed on the calendar. There is a hole in the Youth House roof and the rectory garage is losing shingles. The Porch/Landing Committee met on May 11, 2016.

X. Social Concerns

Mary Beth Hurley is a recipient of the 2016 Bishop John J. McRaith Providing Help, Creating Hope Award. This award established by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Owensboro recognizes individuals in the diocese who abundantly show the virtue of charity in their work and deeds.

Deacon Dirck reported that wood and waste material needed to be removed from the Community Garden lot. He announced letters are being sent to the local neighborhood concerning the community garden. The plan is to have a “weed to feed” program.

XI. Pastor’s Comments

Fr. Jerry announced that Fr. Suneesh is going to India for a month.

The PPC decided to have the Founder’s Dinner on Thursday, September 1, 2016.

Upcoming events:

September 10, 2016 – PPC Retreat

September 17, 2016 – Church Picnic

September 23, 2016 – Vocare Dinner

The Symphony Concert on April 17, 2016, was a success. Mike Conley was honored with a standing ovation.

XII. Birthdays and Anniversaries

John McNulty was wished a Happy Birthday!

XIII. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 9, 2016. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Ebelhar