**FEBRUARY 23, 2017 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**In Attendance:** Fr. Wayne Belschner, Ann Stano, Bill Killion, Maria Brown, Kathy Reda, Rose Favret

At 6:15 pm. Fr. Wayne opened the meeting with a prayer.

The minutes of the January 30, 2017 Parish Council Meeting were accepted.

**Pastoral Care and New position:**

Fr. Wayne stated that there has been a seamless transition within the pastoral care duties. Nancy McCormick

has taken on all duties and all aspects of the job which are being handles wonderfully. The next senior lunch will possibly be a lasagna bake off.

Elizabeth Healy is still in the Religious Education position but will soon be transitioning to the Adult Faith Formation /Pastoral Assoc. position. Melissa Choate has been hired as Dir. Religious Ed for the K through 5 and Adaptive Learning. Melissa is meeting with Elizabeth daily to learn about her job. Schedule for the kids will be Sun./Mon. K-5 Edge on Tuesdays 6th. – 8th grades. First Communion will be in May. Fr. Wayne said that with the added position and the restructuring of positions we are saving approx. $5000.00 annually.

**Healing Mass:**

There is a Mass of Prayer and Healing scheduled for March 10th. at 7:pm. There will be Mass, Confession, with Fr. Ron Tacelli, and a talk by Mr. Frank Kelly.

**Lenten Schedule:**

There will be added Masses, Confessions and Stations of the Cross during Lent beginning with 4 Masses on Ash Wednesday with distribution of Ashes. Many opportunities during Lent to grow in faith. All times and opportunities will be in the bulletin.

**Lenten Mission—Should We Have One?**

Fr. Wayne asked whether or not we should have a Lenten Mission? The PC thought this was an excellent idea and after some discussion we decided on a theme, “THE BEST LENT EVAH” with evah meaning Eucharist, Visit the homebound/sick, Adoration, and Healing through Confession. The dates decided are 3/13 and 3/14. On 3/13 Monday, Adoration with reflection By Fr. Eric Cadin, grow deeper in your faith—New ways to pray. On 3/14Tuesday, Mass and homily by Fr. Dominic Ngo—How to live Lent, looking back. Bill Killion to design the hand-out and banner introducing “THE BEST LENT EVAH”

**Next PC Meeting;**

Next parish council meeting will be on March 16, at 7:15pm. At this PC meeting, we will discuss the reception for Will Sexton who will be ordained on May 20.

**REMINDER;**

 Parish council members are invited to a dinner for Loren being held at the Rectory on 2/28, Tuesday at 6pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Rose M. Favret