

Our Lady of Peace Parish Finance Council Meeting – January 8, 2019 at 6:00 pm

ATTENDEES: Rev. Walter Dziordz, Pastor, Rev. Mark Baron, Mike Clark, Dave Bertram, Bill Lucas, Mike Murphy, Kellie Moore -Business Manager, and, Sandra Sobotka.

Not in attendance – Bill Chromizky

AGENDA

- 1 – School Business
- 2 – Religious Education
- 3 – Facility Planning
- 4 – Financial Reports
- 5 – Executive Session

The meeting opened with a prayer by Fr. Walter at 6:10 PM.

DISCUSSION

1 - School Business: Discussed mid-year school staffing changes and development of the 2019-2020 school year enrollment and budget projection. The search for a new principal will be expanded to include additional intra and inter-state diocese. Fr Mark will be working with the CSO on identifying candidates. Three members of finance council will speak after the January 12-13 masses promoting the parishioner use of Empower Illinois private school Invest in Kids Act and the open house. The Finance Council unanimously approved the waiver of the \$100 student registration fee for any new families enrolling at OLP school during Catholic Schools Week (January 27-Feb 4)

2 – Parish Business: The procedures for collecting, counting, and depositing the weekly envelope contributions were reviewed. These same procedures have been reviewed and approved by the DOJ finance office. No changes were believed necessary at this time and proper controls are in place.

3 - Facility Planning: Bids for new church doors are pending review. Both contractors said the church doors are in good shape and only minor repairs would be required rather than a complete replacement. New rectory garage doors will be planned for March, 2019. Other capital projects will be deferred until the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Fr Mark will identify new projects when he assumes the role of Pastor in June 2019.

4 - Financial Reports: A projection of the year end actual versus budget was reviewed and no large variances were identified. The offertory collections, including July thru December plus Christmas, are running about \$20,000 ahead of budget. There are several Capital Campaign donors who are delinquent. A member of finance council member will call the donors to discuss the status of their pledge. Overall, there are about \$130,000 in pledged donations still outstanding with payments scheduled to run through June, 2020.

Fr. Mark closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:30 PM.

Next Finance Council Meeting – Tuesday February 19, 2019 at 6:00 PM