St. Rita's Parish Council Meeting March 23, 2017 St. Rita's Parish Hall

Parish Council members in attendance were Father Robert Malagesi, Nathan Bonner, Ted Nee, Mike Luttrell, John Coughlin, Tom Beck, Faye Ganoe, Laura Miller, Marty Schorn, Joseph Kozlovac.

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Fr. Robert. January 10 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Finance Committee: Faye Ganoe, Finance Chairperson, gave Financial Report ending January 31, 2017. The group continued to review the various categories on the new form. The loan on the house will soon be paid off. The parish will continue with a second collection as a maintenance fund, to replace the debt reduction collection, once the loan is paid off.

Family Ministry: No report

Women's Society: No report.

Building & Grounds: Marty Schorn gave report.

- Refrigerator in hall has a slow leak. It was recently recharged, and needs to have a monitoring port attached to find the source of the leak. It was not done at that time, as the refrigerator was needed for Simple Suppers. Cost for the service will be \$230.
- Sensor for parking lot lights is to be installed.

Old Business/Follow up:

-New Members—No follow up from previous meeting.

-Weekly Collections—Online Giving. The link on Parish website is ready, and we are waiting for information to be available in bulletin, and mailings in a week or two. The link goes to the Sunday Visitor site to set up an account. Regular and special collection donations can be set up. Recommendation was made to print an insert for the pews, for visitors or new members.

-Areas of Mission—Simple Suppers went well and had a good turnout.

New business:

- **Applebee's Fundraiser**—Pancake Breakfast/20% Night. May 13th is reserved date for breakfast. Nathan will put down a deposit and alert Parish Council when he gets confirmation form Applebee's. Nathan will send a sign-up sheet to members to fill slots after Masses the 4 weekends prior to the breakfast to sell tickets.

20% Night-suggest 1 month to plan it, and hold on a Sunday. Nathan will pick a date and email flyers.

-**Time and Talent Survey**—Printed survey was given to members to review and make suggestions. Some suggestions made at meeting included fundraising, family ministry, and FORMED programs. To use online tool (Survey Monkey), first 100 surveys are free, followed by \$26/month fee. We will need to consider if online tool will be used. Survey will be printed and placed in bulletin.

-**Parish Picnic**—this year's picnic will be held at Carroll Valley Park on Sunday, September 10. Format is pot luck, with parish providing the meat, and parishioners signing up for items based on last name.

The next council meeting will be May 23 at 7 pm. Fr. Robert led the group in closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Miller