

St. Colman Catholic Church  
Parish Council Minutes  
March 1, 2016  
6:15, Rectory

Present: Fr. Hahn, Fr. Hartge, Greg Flerchinger, Tina Garland, Helen Grim, Kathy Henry, Steve Janasov.  
Absent: Mike Hall

Father Hahn opened with prayer. Introductions followed. Tina asked members to complete contact information on the leadership spreadsheet.

- I. Vision and Description of Parish Council
  - a. Fr. Hahn distributed a handout outlining the Council membership, nomination and selection process and meeting structure.
    - i. Seriously pray for our Parish and how we are to lead the Parish
    - ii. Council members will be liaisons to other committees and organizations of the Parish
      1. Before each Council meeting, get a report from your liaison assignments to bring back to the Council meeting.
      2. These reports will be included in the newsletter beginning after the next Council meeting in June.
    - iii. Next year, new Council members will be nominated four weeks before Pentecost. The names will be drawn at the Pentecost Mass.
    - iv. Council minutes will be on the web.
  - b. Officers were selected
    - i. President – Helen Grim
    - ii. VP – Steve Janasov
    - iii. Secretary - Tina
  - c. Liaisons established
    - i. Finance Council – Fr. Hahn
    - ii. Adoration – Tina
    - iii. Christian Formation – Dan
    - iv. Fundraising – Tina
    - v. Music – Dan
    - vi. Coffee & Donuts – Tina
    - vii. Stewardship – Fr. Hartge
    - viii. Cemetery Committee – Fr. Hartge
    - ix. Women of St. Colman – Helen
    - x. Knights of Columbus – Greg
    - xi. Deanery Council – Not active at this time
    - xii. St. Vincent DePaul – Kathy
    - xiii. Service/Outreach
      1. L.I.F.E. – Steve
      2. Habitat for Humanity – Kathy
      3. Relay for Life – Dan
      4. The Well – Kathy

- 5. Discipleship – Kathy
  - 6. Food Pantry - Dan
  - xiv. 50+ Group – Helen
- II. New Business
- a. *Forming Intentional Disciples* – Great Commission –
    - i. Book for all council members to read. Father has ordered them. You can pick them up in the Sacristy when they arrive.
    - ii. Please read chapters 1-4 for the next meeting.
    - iii. There will be questions and an agenda relating to the reading for each Council meeting.
  - b. Community Building
    - i. Discussion followed on various activities we should have to build community within the Parish
      - 1. Ideas included doing the St. Patrick’s Day gathering and raffle again, Summer Picnic, Feast of St. Colman breakfast, Oktoberfest. Discussion tabled until next meeting.
    - ii. An Ad Hoc committee of Helen, Tina and Greg was formed to organize a summer event.
    - iii. Father Hahn would like to have a community event each quarter. These will be identified and/or scheduled at the next meeting.
      - 1. **ACTION ITEM: Tina will bring a church calendar to the next meeting so we can see what dates are available to schedule activities.**
  - c. Stewardship/Ministry Fair?
    - i. Fr. Hahn discussed having a stewardship/ministry fair that coincides with our Stewardship Weekend in the fall.
    - ii. More discussion on this at the June meeting.
  - d. Hedgehog Concept
    - i. *From Good to Great* by James Collins – discusses what you do best, what are you passionate about, and what drives our resource engine?
    - ii. Fr. Hahn distributed a vin diagram on this concept for us to consider and discuss at the next meeting.
- III. Pastor Report
- a. We will have a mission retreat here at St. Colman with Fr. Thomas Blau April 24-26 at 7pm each evening.
    - i. Fr. Blau is a Dominican priest commissioned and dedicated to the Year of Mercy
    - ii. There will be a Holy Hour and confession
    - iii. A reception will be held the last night around 8:30pm. Tina and Helen to coordinate.
    - iv. All Council members are encouraged to attend.
  - b. Next meeting scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:15pm, Conference Room of Parish Center.
  - c. Other Council meeting dates will be scheduled after the fall RCIA calendar is established.