

# MEETING OF THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

Minutes of the October 15, 2019 Meeting

## In Attendance:

Fr. O'Hara    Joe Schival    Ed Hogan    Kevin Thum    Chuck Staab    Pat DiAngelo

Below are the minutes from the October meeting of the Men of St. Joseph. There were no minutes issued from the August meeting (I was on vacation). The September meeting was abbreviated because of a lack of attendance.

## Financial Report

	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<b>Starting Balance:</b>			<b>\$9,380.43</b>
Breakfast in the Pavilion	638.00	279.30	
Okotberfest	2,675.00		
Lighthouse Publishing		591.04	
Italian Night Liquor Lic.		30.00	
Misc bills		270.00	
Misc Credits	1078.50		
<b>Ending Balance (Thru Oct 13)</b>			<b>\$ 12,738.90</b>

## Old Business

- Building Committee Report out
  - Old House
    - Windows: Additional inspection of the second-floor overhang will have to be performed before the remaining two windows can be installed.
    - The second-floor fire exit door is ready for installation
  - Pavilion
    - The new permanent stage construction has been completed.
  - New church windows
    - Installation of the twelve new window frames and insulated glass is complete.
    - Finish trim and final caulking is in progress
    - The design of the stained-glass art has been finalized. Delivery date is expected in the first quarter of 2020.
- Scout Projects.
  - Zach Reese no update
- Men's Spirituality
  - Meetings are on the second & fourth Tuesday of the month,
  - The next meeting will be on October 22nd.

- Oktoberfest
  - Another fantastic night of good music, great food, cold beer and lots of camaraderie. The weather was perfect and a nice crowd showed up. The final numbers are being tallied. If you missed it this year, mark your calendars for the first Saturday in October 2020.
  - Possible improvements:
    - Have several ticket options:
      - Full ticket, food and beer = \$30 (Wrist bands for beer/wine)
      - Just food option = \$20 (Soda and water)
      - Seniors = \$5 off the ticket options.
      - We are also investigating getting a live band to perform.
    - Alternate years Oktoberfest and another ethnic group (example - Polish night)
  - Oktoberfest notes
    - 3 ½ kegs of beer were used. Spaten & Hacker-Pschorr
    - 150 soft pretzels, is the right amount
    - No beef leftover, very little brats & brauts left over
    - Strudel: some apple left over, but ran out of cherry. Next year 15 apple & cherry and 10 chocolate.
- Lighthouse Kiosk
  - The Lighthouse kiosk in the narthex has been restocked.
- Solar Field Proposal
  - The Archdiocese has issued us a project number and outlined the steps that are needed to receive approval. The first two steps are approval sign-off by our Parish Council and Finance Committee. Next is to obtain two independent property assessments, these are in progress.
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- **New Business**
- Improvements
  - With the near completion of several improvement projects (Old House windows, Pavilion stage and church window replacement) we started looking at the next items on Fr. O'Hara "Wishlist". The two most likely candidates are the entrance to the rectory basement and the "Grotto / Stations of the Cross"
  - Both projects have had plans developed but have been shelved in favor of more pressing needs. These plans will be re-reviewed and feasibility determined.
  - Several other possible Eagle Scout projects have been added to Fr. O'Hara's Wishlist (Attached at the end of these minutes).
- PREP scholarship
  - Six families have requested financial aid for the 2019/2020 PREP year.
  - The total amount requested is \$1,360
  - The scholarships were approved by the group.

### **Up- Coming Events:**

- O'Shenanagans's will be playing at Gallagher's: Friday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Advent Crab Cake & Soup sale: Order by Dec 16, Pick-up on 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Italian Dinner Night: March 7<sup>th</sup>
- Knights of Columbus car show: spring/summer

The meeting was closed with a prayer. The next meeting will be on Nov 19.

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Fr. O'Hara's Wish List

Possible projects in no particular order:

<u>Status</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>In Progress</u>	Old House Windows
<u>In Progress</u>	Pavilion upgrades; enclosing the sides, painting, covering the posts.
<u>In Progress</u>	Batting Cage donation plaque installation
<u>In Progress</u>	Replacement of Church windows
_____	Classrooms (Skirts, Vents, Stairs, Pavers)
_____	Walking Trail
_____	The Grotto & Stations of the Cross Meditation path
_____	Landscaping between the parking lot and ball fields (row of trees)
_____	Replace old telephone poles in the parking lot with concrete bumpers or curb.
_____	Playground Expansion for older kids.
<u>Complete</u>	Parking Lot improvements Resealing, remarking, signs, reflectors
_____	Sponsor a luncheon for the Vets at Whitehall.
_____	Rectory Basement Entrance
_____	Repair / paint playground equipment
_____	Repair / paint gazebo
_____	Repair / stain the pavilion kitchen storage shed