

VESTRY MEETING CHRIST CHURCH FEBRUARY 14, 2017

A vestry meeting was held at the home of Fr. Jack+ on February 14, 2017. The following vestry members were present: Fr. Jack+, Don, Jennifer, Dana, and Janet. Absent: Ralph, Joyce and Fernando. Shirley Wehrs, vestry clerk, was also present.

1. The **minutes** of January 12, 2017 were approved as submitted.
2. A **motion** was made, seconded and carried, to pay up to \$500 for the repair and installation of a new window, where there was a break in, in the chapel restroom. Fr. Jack+ will see to its replacement.
3. **Financial** - the Financial report was reviewed, Fr. Jack+ stating that the church is in a much better position this year than previous years. There is approximately \$13,000 in the checking account. A motion was made to approve the Budget for this year of \$45,000, inasmuch as it was not voted on at the Annual Meeting. Motion carried. There is \$21,000 in money and pledges so far. There was a general discussion regarding how best to move forward in a Capital Campaign to retire the mortgage of \$450,000. John Creighton's proposal was reviewed. It was moved by Don, seconded by Jennifer, that the Sr. Warden be authorized to draft a letter of request to the membership, giving a short history of Christ Church, and explaining the necessity of paying off the Mortgage by its due date of April, 2018. Fr. Jack+ said he has pledges totaling \$175,000 so far, Jennifer stating that she has another for \$25,000. After Janet's letter goes out to the general membership, Fr. Jack+ will detail John Creighton's proposal and send that out to the general membership.
4. **Parking lot** - Fr. Jack + and Shirley met with Transito, to request striping for the access road, with yellow lines indicating a narrowing to only one lane in front of the church, the narrowing to begin approximately 200 feet west of our west property line. This would enable drivers to notice the lanes going from two to one in advance and avoid the possibility of someone not noticing that the cars are parked in front of the church, causing an accident. A letter of request with a map detailing the location of the striping is required. Fr. Jack+ is working on this. A favorable reply is anticipated.
5. **Synod** - Dana, Janet, Shirley and Fr. Jack+ attended the recent Synod in Tlaquepaque at Buen Pastor. Bishop Leno++ announced his retirement for September, 2017. He will be 70 September 28, 2017. He said he will be available until December 2017. Dana reported that work on the Committee to Call a New Bishop is going forward however slowly. The Questionnaire to the parishes is being reviewed. They are looking at persons outside of Mexico also, it being one requirement that the person be bi-lingual, Spanish/English.
6. The next **Burgers, Beer & Bingo** will be held on February 15. It was noted that the church makes about \$500 each time. Due to the attendance of many Ex Pats last Bingo, the amount was more. We are also seeing new faces from Ex Pats at church, largely due to our ad in its Newsletter.
7. **Next Vestry meeting** will be held March 9, 10:00 a.m. place to be determined.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Wehrs, Vestry Clerk

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