

## Parish Council Minutes –October 9, 2022

Members present- Fr Joel Gillam, Ed Donahue , Tony Nasr, Joe Solomon, Gary Sarkessian ( by phone ) ,Maricia Ibrahim, Jerome Burke, Karen Burke

- A. Meeting called to order and opening prayer Fr. Joel 12:28 pm-- - required quorum for the meeting not obtained so minutes from 9/17/2022 meeting not approved and no motions or votes could be entertained at today's meeting
- B. Parish Priest Report- Fr performing a Baptism this month –another Baptism in and wedding in November –Churching of baby Andrew Gordon in the next few weeks  
-Fr Dennis performing Liturgy Sunday 10/16 while Fr Joel is away for next week for clergy meetings

### C. Committee Reports

- 1. –Long Range Planning – Marcia Ibrahim –next meeting scheduled for 10/24

Via Zoom

- 2. Maintenance –Gary S –reviewed pricing/charges of monthly cleaning bill – reduced charge for comprehensive cleaning session in light or routine cleanings – monthly bill should total between 375 and 450 dollars depending on the number of Tuesdays per month- parish clean up day scheduled originally scheduled for 10/22 will be postponed to a later date – to be determined

- 3. Christian Adult Education Fr Joel fall retreat weekend of Friday and Saturday November 11-12–theme of Orthodox commission and apostolic mission in the world historically and currently. Fr Maximos Nnachette of Nigeria will review history of the Othodox Church in Africa and present missions in addition to a Syriac priest from the Asian Orthodox Church- food will be provided at the sessions -- Spring retreat will compliment these sessions

- 4. Treasurer's Report – Tony N –please see attached

- 5. Budget Report -- Gary S. 6 month budget summary will be provided in the Newsletter –reviewed list of pledged donations to various Othodox causes and missions.- no vote further donations today and tabled for next month- and can include non- orthodox charities or local shelters

- 6. Teen Soyo – Nothing to report – trip to St Vladimir's Seminary planned for Saturday October 22

- 7 Hospitality Committee –Ed D –Family events planned for Saturday October 29—after Vesper's

“ Chilli Cookoff “ with judges and trophy to be awarded in the Great Room and other activities and Trunk or Treat event in the church parking lot for parish and neighborhood children- costumes encouraged  
---Christiana to make draw up Flyers to promote the event

Greeters program in need of some revamping at this time - Teens to serve as Greeters for the month of October

8. Sunday School – off to a good start – staffing is adequate—large class of young children reviewing the “ Divine Liturgy “

9. Icon Committee – trying to set date for Mr Papas to begin work –

10. Choir Report –Karen B—recruiting new members – Advent preparations to begin soon -

No further new business

Closing Prayer and adjournment -1:15pm

Respectfully submitted

Jerome Burke