

**ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
Golden Agers Centre Church Basement  
Tuesday, December 19, 2017**

**Executive:**

<b>Pastor:</b> Fr. Bohdan Lukie, CSSR	<b>President:</b> Gwen Bilyk
<b>Assistant Pastor:</b> Fr. Raymond Lukie, CSSR	<b>Vice-president:</b>
<b>Assistant Pastor:</b> Fr. Methodius Kushko, CSSR	<b>Past President :</b> Geraldine Koban ( <i>Absent</i> )
	<b>Treasurer:</b> Kathy Rusnak /Leona Matisho ( <i>Absent</i> )
	<b>Secretary:</b> Vicky Ostrowercha

**Committees:**

<b>Children &amp; Youth:</b> Lana Klemetski ( <i>Absent</i> )	Shelley Kluk ( <i>Absent</i> )
<b>Communications:</b> Julie Abrametz	Tom Abrametz Mary Prybylski ( <i>Absent</i> )
<b>Education:</b> Pat Thompson ( <i>Absent</i> )	Janet Lawrance
<b>Finance:</b> Fred Schrader ( <i>Absent</i> )	
<b>Liturgical:</b> Lorne Stechyshyn	Ron Wizniak Laurie Fedorowich ( <i>Absent</i> )
<b>Maintenance:</b> Peter Moroz	Bob Paskaruk
<b>Outreach:</b> Verlee Zulyniak ( <i>Absent</i> )	
<b>Parish Activities:</b> Dolores Harris	
<b>Stewardship:</b> Vi Protz	

**Parish Organizations:**

<b>Cultural Centre:</b> Russ Thompson ( <i>Absent</i> )	<b>Golden Agers:</b> Verna Moroz
<b>K of C:</b> Dave Spelay ( <i>Absent</i> )	<b>UCWLC:</b> Doreen Rathgeber
<b>UCBC:</b> Peter Moroz	

1. **Meeting was called to order** by Gwen Bilyk at 7:10 pm.

2. **Opening Prayer:** Led by Father Bohdan

3. **Welcome:**

4. **Adoption of Agenda:**

- a. Additions/Amendments:
- b. Motion to Adopt Agenda:

**Motion:** *That the agenda be adopted as presented.*

**Moved:** Peter Moroz;

**Seconded:** Julie Abrametz

**Carried.**

5. **Minutes:**

- a. Errors or Omissions:
- b. Adoption of Minutes:

**Motion:** *That the minutes be adopted as presented.*

**Moved:** Vicky Ostrowercha;

**Seconded:** Kathy Rusnak

**Carried.**

6. **Business Arising from the Minutes:** nil
7. **Treasurer's Report:** submitted by Kathy Rusnak

**Motion:** *That the Treasurer's report for November 2017 be accepted as presented.*

**Moved:** Kathy Rusnak;

**Seconded:** Peter Moroz

**Carried.**

8. **Correspondence:**
  - Christmas card received from Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools
  - Email correspondence re facebook website. Discussed. Father Bohdan - St. Mary's Bulletin is on our website. It is available to the public, and provides information on our events.

9. **Committee Reports:**

- a. **President's Report:** Written Report submitted by Gwen Bilyk

Another calendar year is quickly drawing to a close but before that happens we are preparing for the BIRTH OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

Tonight, we have our own special time to gather together for a time of fellowship as we enjoy supper before our meeting. This gives us time to visit and learn more about each other and bond as a group with a common goal [ The growth and maintenance of our Church]

As we notice our collections are so much smaller that we are falling into a deficit pattern and it is worrisome when we have to withhold investment funds to continue to pay our expenses.

So far, we do not seem to have developed a solution to this problem, so we must continue to pray that we may receive help through guidance from the Holy Spirit.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Thank you for all you do in and around our Church and in our Parish to make it a beautiful place to worship.

Sincerely Gwen Bilyk.

- b. **Finance Committee:** No report

- c. **Liturgical:** No report

- d. **Parish Activities:** No report

- e. **Maintenance:** Submitted by Peter Moroz:

Thank you to Bob Paskaruk for helping out with maintenance

- f. **Children & Youth:** No report

- g. **Education:** Report by Janet Lawrance and Pat Thompson

We continue to present the DVD series Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible by Jeff Cavins. We are delighted to see so many parishioners in attendance. This past Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> we presented the 5<sup>th</sup> of 8 sessions. The last three presentations will be scheduled at a later date. On December 11<sup>th</sup> the Ukrainian class celebrated St. Nicholas Day with carolling, delicious food and recitations of poetry. On January 8<sup>th</sup> they will celebrate Ukrainian Christmas. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

- h. **Communications:**No report

i. **Stewardship:** Submitted by Vi Protz

Слава Ісусу Христу !

I continue to pray for all religious especially our own Frs. Bohdan, Methodius and Ray, also Frs. Jeffrey, Len and all others who are ailing. I pray for health for all Golden Agers, all parishioners and my family. I also pray for vocations, the living and deceased. God bless you all. Love you lots,

Yours in the Redeemer,

As always, Vi Protz

j. **Outreach:** No report

k. **Parish Organizations:**

i. **UCBC:** Written Report submitted by Larry German

As the year draws to a close, so does the Brotherhood year as well. On Sunday, December 17th at 2:00 pm we are holding our Annual Meeting and wishing for a new executive to come forth.

This will be followed by a social for the members who attend.

We continue working at bingos to generate funds for our charitable works.

We are delighted to offer our greetings and small gifts to our Clergy, Sisters, Altar Servers and Children of Mary.

*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men whom his favor rests.* – Luke 2:14

Have a Blessed Christmas

Larry German, President

• Peter Moroz – Annual Meeting was held on December 17, 2017 and same executive elected for another year

ii. **UCWLC:** Report by Doreen Rathgeber

- Donations
  - \$3,000.00 to St. Mary's Church
  - \$3,000.00 to St. Mary's Cultural Centre
  - \$350.00 to Mary Dyma Scholarship Fund

• Social held on December 4, 2017 with Knights of Columbus as guests.

iii. **Knights of Columbus:** December Report submitted by Dave Spelay

- Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest in progress at Christ The Teacher Elementary Schools
- Christmas Gifts for Fathers and Sisters
- Rosary and Honor Guard for Nick Chaikowsky prayers and funeral.
- Membership Church Drive January watch for date in Bulletin
- Convention Yorkton April 20,21,22, 2018
- Family Rosary before 11:00 am Liturgy December 31, 2017
- 112 members at present
- Welcome a member transferring in from Sturgis "Jonah Wilcott"
- Presented Founder's Award at last meeting

iv. **UCY:** no report

v. **Golden Agers:** Report by Verna Moroz

- Bingos will resume in January, depending on the weather.

vi. **Cultural Centre:** No report

10. **Adoption of Reports:**

**Motion:** *That the Committee and Parish Organization reports be accepted as received.*

**Moved:** Vi Protz;

**Seconded:** Verna Moroz

**Carried.**

11. **Old / On-going Business:** nil

12. **New Business**

a. Contract renewal – Groundskeeper and Caretaker

**Motion:** *Renew contract with Slivas for 2018, with same terms and amounts.*

**Moved:** Doreen Rathgeber;

**Seconded:** Janet Lawrance

**Carried.**

b. Review Pastoral Allowance

• Discussed, maintain as current, no change

c. Date for AGM – March 18, 2018

• Annual reports by March 4, published in our Bulletin the next week

d. Nominating committee:

• Past Presidents - Dave Spelay and Geraldine Koban, Father Bohdan and Father Ray, Larry German and one other parishioner

13. **Pastor's Report and Updates: Father Bohdan**

• Father Ray and Father Bohdan will alternate to serve Yorkton and Ituna

14. **Meeting Dates for January 2018**

a. Executive: January 9, 2018

b. Parish Council: January 16, 2018

15. **Motion of Adjournment:** Gwen Bilyk at 7:50 pm.

16. **Closing Prayer:** Led by Father Ray

*Minutes recorded by: Vicky Ostrowercha*