

**Saint Joseph the Worker Catholic Church**  
**Pastoral Parish Council Meeting**  
**January 12, 2021**

**Attendees:** Barbara Callan Mae Moore Mike Cummings Tami Clowers Mary Jo Ouilette  
Fr Julius Abuh - Ex Officio

**Absent:** Ken King (excused) Jose Aguilera Richard Burris

The Parish Council was called in order at 6pm by Tami Clowers

Opening Prayer lead by Tami Clowers

The minutes of the November meeting were read. Motion to approve by Barbara Callan and Mae Moore seconded. All voted aye.

Committee Reports:

**Finance Committee:** Richard Burris - no report

**Spiritual Life:** K King No report

**Spiritual Life Spanish:** J Aguilera No report

**Education Ministry:** T Clowers CCD classes resumed January 24th.

**Social Action** M Cummings No report

**Family Life:** MaryJo O No report

**Parish Life:** M Moore No report

**Administration:** Barb C No report

**Parishioner Concerns:** We all express that community gathering within the Parish is very missed. All Parishioners stay safe and well.

**Old Business:** The fire exit for the back of the church is a vital need and the council members are seeking bids and experts on this project. The construction proposals for the additional exit will go to the Parish Finance Committee before any decision is finalized. The additional fire exit would allow Parishioners to escape in the event of an emergency. Ken King had presented some time ago the fire exit proposal to the church with over 90% approval by Parishioners at all Masses.

The projector and screen for the church varied in pricing from \$300-\$3000. However, the challenge was for someone to operate the technology at each Mass. This project will be shelved for now. The projector and screen would be a wonderful addition to display the prayers and readings. The council may revisit the idea in the future.

**New Business:** The SJTW Women's' Group gave \$350.00 towards the \$800.00 purchase of the 17.0 cu ft Refrigerator. This new appliance replaces the old refrigerator that quit operating.

**Election:** Barbara Callan was nominated and voted to be the President of the PPC. Mae Moore will remain Vice-President and Tami Clowers as secretary. Everyone expressed appreciation on behalf of the council to Barb and all members.

**Pastor Report:**

Fr. Julius extends his appreciation to all of the council and a special thank you to Barbara Callan for accepting the Presidential office of the Parish Council. The Covid -19 vaccine is becoming available and the Bishop is aware that Parishioners are NOT coming to Mass. We at SJTW are doing well in terms of attendance as compared to other churches around us. All Parishioners are encouraged to watch the Mass online or by EWTN. In closing, our church is stable in the monthly budget. Thank you for your prayers and monthly tithes and offerings. God bless everyone.

**A Note** on the Covid-19 vaccine: It is available now and all are encouraged to take it. The Vatican has said that "it is the lesser of two evils" to save the many.

**Closing:** prayer by Fr. Julius Abuh including all the sick of our parish. Fr. Julius expressed gratitude for everyone's prayers and assistance during this unprecedented time. Parishioners are encouraged to reach out and call to check on one another, stay prayerful and supportive of one another. Grace and peace to everyone.

Next meeting: February 9, 2021 @ 6:00 pm (Ken King -snacks)

Minutes taken by: Tami Clowers