
PENDING APPROVAL

In attendance: Fr. Kresowaty, Randy Sparks, Mike Kennemer, Rilla Altman, Ben Doerge, Pete Haagen, Glenda Morgan, Edward Maneikis, Debbie Nelson, Jon Stutler, Jinni Touchstone, Amy Wagoner

Absent: Marilyn Huff

Also attending: Susan Kennemer-Clerk; Bill Richardson-Treasurer

Fr. Kresowaty called the meeting to order with prayer at 7:00pm.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the January Vestry meeting were approved via email.

On a motion by Pete Haagen, seconded by Ben Doerge the corrected Minutes of the January 29, 2012 meeting were approved by a unanimous vote.

Rector's Report: Fr. Kresowaty

- Fr. Kresowaty reminded Vestry members that updates to the web page should be made at ministryupdate@saintalbans.org and encouraged more involvement in the newsletter, website and the Sunday bulletin.
- He gave guidance to new Vestry members signing up for the various Vestry committees and passed around the sign-up sheet.
- Debbie Nelson volunteered to host the guest speaker for the first Lenten dinner.
- Fr. Kresowaty suggested a way for the elected convention delegates to rotate terms in order to make the elections and delegate terms more effective.

A motion was made by Jon Stutler, seconded by Mike Kennemer, to have Sue Yarger, Don Wheaton and Rilla Altman serve for 4 years, and Pete Haagen, Paul Nelson and Susan Kennemer serve for 3 years. The motion passed unanimously.

- Vestry members were advised to keep their Ministry Safe status current. He reminded each person when their renewal is due.
- Fr. Kresowaty explained procedures when the Vestry is called into Executive Session.

A motion was made by Randy Sparks, seconded by Pete Haagen, to approved continuing with the existing signers on the church financial accounts. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee – Bill Richardson

Income and Expenses

- Income for January was slightly unfavorable to the budget, and expenses were favorable. This is typical of the financial status at the first part of the year.

Other Financial Notes

- The projected budget deficit remains as planned. There were no remarkable payments from dedicated accounts.
- It was suggested by the diocese that a Risk Assessment checklist be developed and implemented.

Newcomer's Report: Rilla Altman

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- Newcomer's Committee is greeting new people every Sunday and took one visitor out to lunch the first of February. We have two that want to go in March. The problem still exists concerning the newcomers actually joining and pledging. Those who have joined have all given as one of their reasons for doing so the fact that everyone here is so open and friendly. Keep up the good work!
- Discussion was held on the need to move from the newcomer's status to regular membership. Rilla will send information on individual newcomers to Jon Stutler who will notify various group chairs of interest shown by the newcomer. Debbie Nelson will help with the establishment of a Membership Committee with the help of Rilla, Jon and Jinni Touchstone.

Events: Fr. Kresowaty

Bold type indicates parish-wide event

February 2012

- 3-4 Cub Scout Pack #82 Pinewood Derby – Parish Hall
5 Scout Sunday. Welcome Home for Cursillo #294, 6:00pm Parish Hall
12 **African Ministry Items for sale in Narthex**
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20 Church office closed, no 10:00am Holy Eucharist
21 **Shrove Tuesday – Boy Scout Troop #82 host the annual Pancake Supper & a Silent Auction, with entertainment by Razzmajazz at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall**
22 **Ash Wednesday -- Confessions 11:00-11:30am, Imposition of ashes and HE at 12 noon; Confessions 6:00-6:30pm and Imposition of ashes at 7:00pm**
24 Cub Scout Pack #82 Blue & Gold Banquet – Parish Hall

March 2012

- 2 **Meatless potluck supper, 6:30pm; Guest speaker Father Jerry K., 7:15pm – Parish Hall**
9 **Texas Guitar Quartet, 7:30pm, reception following in narthex**
10 **Daylight Savings Time begins**
13 Palanca Party, 8:00pm – Parish Hall
16 **Fish Fry prepared by BOSA, 6:30pm – Parish Hall; Guest Speaker Bishop Jack Iker, 7:15pm**
18 Welcome Home for Cursillo #295, 6:00pm – Parish Hall
19 Cub Scout Pack #82 Meeting, 6:30pm – Parish Hall
23 **Dallas Choral Project Eve, 7:30pm, reception following in the narthex**
30 **East Texas Handbell Ensemble, 7:30pm, reception following in the narthex**

April 2012

- 1 **Palm Sunday, 8:00am Holy Eucharist, 10:30am Holy Eucharist, 5:30pm Evening Prayer and Holy Eucharist**
2 **Monday in Holy Week, 6:00pm Holy Eucharist**
3 **Tuesday in Holy Week, 6:00pm Holy Eucharist**
4 **Wednesday in Holy Week, 6:00pm Holy Eucharist**
5 **Maundy Thursday, Seder Supper, 6:00pm; Holy Eucharist/stripping of the altar, 8:00pm; Watch begins in the Chapel of Repose, 9:30pm**
6 **Good Friday – Confessions 11:00 – 11:30am; Stations of the Cross, 12 Noon; Confessions 6:00-6:30pm; Mass of the Pre-Sanctified, 7:00pm**
7 **Great Vigil of Easter, 8:00pm**
8 **Easter Sunday – Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00am; Holy Eucharist, Rite II with incense, 10:30am;**

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- Easter Egg Hunt for the children, 12:00pm**
- 9-13 Church office closed. Holy Eucharists celebrated as usual on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
16 Cub Scout Pack #82 meeting, 6:30pm – Parish Hall
28 Cursillo Training, 9:00am-2:00pm – Parish Hall
29 **Ultreya Meeting, 6:00pm – Parish Hall**

Worship Committee – Pete Haagen

Funds have been received for new Lay Reader vestments, but additional money will be needed to replace all of the current robes.

Christian Education –Marilyn Huff

- Janie Lundy and Marilyn continue to check in on all CE instructors. Everything is in good order. No problems, concerns or request.
- Gretchen Hosea will start preliminary planning for Vacation Bible School.

Youth Ministry - Fr. Scalisi

The Bishop's Ball is a diocesan wide youth event being held at St. Vincent's cathedral this Saturday (Feb. 18th). As of now, we have six of our youth going to this event.

Our senior youth have been participating with our Caritas group during our dinners in which participants have the chance to ask questions about the faith both out loud or anonymously. Our first group was held last month and 19 people participated. Many people wanted to have the event the very next week, but we have scheduled it for this Sunday (Feb. 19). It is open to all from high school junior, 20s, 30s, and even some 40s. If you know of someone who has questions, this would be a great place to get some answers.

Pastoral Care – Debbie Nelson

Pastoral Care:

- Stephen Ministry: Run by Ben Doerge and Laura Horton. A new class began in the fall 2011, with 5 studying to become Stephen's Ministers
- Lay Eucharistic Ministers: our Lay Eucharistic Visitors continue to faithfully take communion out to our homebound parishioners
- Hospital Visitors: Hospital Visits are covered by Fr. Kresowaty and Fr. Scalisi
Deacon Claire Linzel covers nursing homes, at times homes, and covered the priests when they were away at the clergy retreat
- Alban's Angels assisted with the reception after Bob Armstrong's funeral

Outreach and Mission –Debbie Nelson

Renewal Ministry:

Cursillo

- Cursillo #295: March 15-18 @ All Saints Camp. Mike & Suzanne Franke will be on staff.
- Group Reunions: Most meet weekly. Anyone can attend. Group Reunions cover personal Piety (What have you done to draw nearer to Christ), Study (Bible, Books, Music) and Christian Action (What are you doing to bring others to Christ). Essential Motto: Make a friend, be a friend, and bring that friend to Christ.
- Back to the Mountain: May 11-12 @ All Saints Camp

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- Happening #150: February 17-19 @ Good Shepherd, Dallas
- New Beginnings #44: April 13-15 7:00PM @
- Living Stones: February 24-25 @ St Peter's, McKinney
- Mustard Seeds #8: Saturday, March 17 @ Holy Trinity by the Lake, Rockwall

Parish Nurse: There is a nurse positioned in the Stephen Ministry room the first Sunday of each month from 9:15am until 10:25am. Next offering: March 4

Dinner Club: Debbe Sable- The Chili Cook-Off and Pie Cook-Off was held this past Sunday. Many people came and all had a great time. We divided into groups of 6-8.

Prayers & Squares: Susan Kennemer: Prayers & Squares had two quilts out in January. A quilt will be out on February 26.

Stewardship Committee – Randy Sparks:

Stewardship report for the 2012 year:

149 people signing commitment cards
\$517,930 total amount pledged for 2012 (highest amount in the last 5 years)
\$3,476 average pledge for 2012
17 New Pledges
48 Pledges increased
9 Pledges decreased
75 Pledges remained the same.

Compared to other years:

In 2008 we have 182 people signing pledge cards, but the total amount pledged was \$461,960.
In 2011 we had \$489,020 pledged with 147 signing pledge cards

Junior Warden's Report – Mike Kennemer

- Cawthron Hall: Door Handle replaced on ladies restroom and commode repaired. Back deck and one entrance door threshold repaired.
- Ice machine in kitchen was serviced and parts replaced by an authorized service technician. The equipment was still covered by the original warranty.
- As a reminder, anyone hearing about, or seeing items that need repair, please report them to Sharon and she will contact me. Also, a big Thank You to BOSA members who are always willing to assist the repairs and work projects.

Communications Committee –Jon Stutler

Future Issues:

- Communication of Lenten activities to the community.
- Effective use of social media.

Progress:

- The new Saint Alban's Website is up!

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- Fr. Joe has set up Constant Contact for the youth groups, and we are working together to decide how to best use it as another way of communicating church events. Integration with the new web site is also being explored.

Development Committee –Doug Hosea

- The water-damaged ceilings have been repaired in the sacristy, confessional and music room.
- A slate guard for roof tiles is being researched.

Nominations & Personnel

No report.

Secretaries Report: Fr. Kresowaty

- Average Sunday attendance for YTD: 242
- Transfers in: 0
- Baptisms: 0
- Marriages: 0
- Transfers out: 0
- Births: 0
- Deaths: 1

New Business

A motion was made by Mike Kennemer, seconded by Debbie Nelson to authorize \$2840 be spent to replace the heat exchanger and ignition control module for the AC/heater unit for room 10. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Randy Sparks, seconded by Jon Stutler to accept the 2011 Parochial Report. The motion passed unanimously.

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Fr. Kresowaty closed with a blessing at 8:52pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan W. Kennemer
Vestry Clerk

Next meeting of the Vestry will be Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 7:00 pm in Room 10.