

Minutes from the Parish Finance Council meeting Jan 29, 2018

Catholic Mutual – Building Insurance Deficiencies update

Peter Trochan has been working on the preparatory stages to get the Safety and Fire regulations put in place.

Organ

A donor has been found to buy the new organ for our Church. Hope to have it delivered by Easter 2018.

Sound System

Because of a very complicated procedure by CRA no new sound system will be installed. Microphones in the sanctuary will be unified to Shure Cardioid standard as it is already at the Ambo now. This will be an improvement for the possible new online streaming masses via the internet.

Project Advance 2018

Ed Starick has declined to coordinate the PA 2018. We are looking for 2 new volunteers. Fr. Rastislav will take care of the preparatory process in the meantime.

Minutes from the Parish Pastoral Council meeting Jan 30, 2018

Election of officials

Rudy Priskin was nominated as Vice-Chairman and voted unanimously
Maureen P. Foley was nominated as Secretary and voted unanimously

Lenten Activities

On the Fridays of Lent the Stations of the Cross in Slovak will commence at 7:00 p.m., followed by a Slovak Mass at 7:30 p.m. The Stations will be conducted, as follows:

Friday, February 16: Mothers
Friday, February 23: Fathers
Friday, March 2: Children
Friday, March 9: Married Couples
Friday, March 16: Singles
Friday, March 23: Seniors
Holy Thursday: Slovak Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Good Friday: The Passion at 3:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
and before the Tomb: 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Easter Vigil 7:30 p.m. followed by Blessing of Gifts
Easter Sunday Masses as usual

- On the Mondays of Lent (February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, and 26) short prayers from the Breviary, prior to the Collect will be said by the priest and with response from the congregation during the 8:00 a.m. English Mass.
- Catechesis about the mass for Slovaks at 7.30 pm every Tuesday

Welcome ministry volunteers and Lectors

A Welcome Ministry should be introduced before the 11 a.m. Slovak Mass on Sunday to welcome newcomers, introduce them to parishioners and answer their questions

Lectors: might meet on a Saturday during Lent. Nothing set yet.

Czech Masses

Father Rastislav is thinking of a model for the Czech people, and will discuss with them to perhaps celebrate on alternate Saturdays at 5.30 (Anticipated Mass) and will discuss this idea with them.

Saturday evening Mass

It was suggested that from June 2nd to September 29th of this year that the Saturday Slovak /Czech/ Mass be at 7:00 p.m. rather than 5:30 p.m.

Church Cleaning

Two ideas were put forth:

- cleaning by English and Slovak volunteers on alternate Saturdays – preferred
- speak to a person who will do cleaning for payment – should be discussed

Votive Lights

As her contribution to the church, Maureen has purchased votive lights for quite some time. However, the quality of lights originally purchased from IKEA has deteriorated, so other brands are being tested.

The tapers that have been used to light candles are impractical and pose a danger. Therefore, Father Rastislav will remove them from the church and we will continue to use the butane lighters available.

Church Organ

A donor has paid for a new organ and once the organ is installed, the identity of the donor will be revealed.