

Minutes  
Parish Council of St. Philip/St. Teresa  
September 21, 2021

Present: Fr. Bala, Joe Conway (Chair), Mary Griffith (Liturgy), Peg Duffy, Dolores Novello,  
Hal McGuirk, Diane Schwab (Recorder)      Absent: Sid Tarango

Opening Prayer by Fr. Bala

Approval of Minutes from June 30, 2021

Reports

Rural Food Report – Hal McGuirk

30 families participated last month; we may see an uptick with the end of stimulus checks.  
Curbside pick-up is the most popular method of distribution.

Liturgy – Mary Griffith

- Revised Lector guidelines distributed as appropriate.
- Janis Wilson will be re-joining the committee as Music Director.
- The next meeting will be 11/4 to review plans for Advent and Christmas.

Finance Council – Fr. Bala

- Weekly donations maintain sufficient income flow.
- We are on track to meet our goal for the \$35,000 matching grant. Agreed an announcement in the bulletin regarding the success of the campaign would be done.

Old/New Business

1. Recruitment of Volunteers

No one has expressed interest at this time – Bookkeeper role is a priority.  
Suggest recruiting altar servers from the Religious Education Program

2. Music Program/Singing in Church

Music has resumed with Janis' return, organ and choir. Congregational participation will be limited to recessional hymn at this time.

3. Wedding Coordinator

Janis will resume coordinator duties on 10/1. Council suggests to Finance to add a refundable security deposit to wedding fees to support compliance with guidelines.

4. Apple Tree Program

Backpacks and school supplies were provided to 32 children from 18 families from Rural Food.

5. COVID Restrictions

Masks are required for all indoor Masses; compliance to be supported by ushers.

6. Social Gatherings

Weekly gatherings after the 8AM Mass at St. Philip's; St. Teresa's will host a gathering on 10/17 after the 9:30 Mass to celebrate the feast day of St. Teresa of Avila.

7. Parish Rectory

Fr. Bala gave overview of work needed, bidding/finance plans.

8. Parish Zoom Account now available.

Next Meeting: November 16, 2021 at 4:00 pm via Zoom

