



# St. Louis Catholic Church

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## Parish Council Minutes August 19, 2014

The meeting was called to order by: President Mark

**Opening Prayer: Father Damian**

**Approval of Minutes:**

### Attendance:

**Present:** Andy Eckstein, Thomas Geis, Leron Giesting, Sabastian Moster, John Strange, Nathan Wanstrath.

**Absent:** KEVIN CHAFFEE, TJ GREENE, JOHN KELLERMAN, JADE RITTER.

**Guests:** Mr. Mike Witka-Financial Life Coorinator

### Pastor's Report:

**Old Business:** The Letter from the Archbishop will be in the bulletin the weekend of 31<sup>st</sup>.

### New Business:

\* President Mark Introduced Mr. Mike Witka;

Mike explained his role as Financial Life Coorinator. He will dig into all financial aspects of the Parish, to see what has happened in the past and look to the future. He will basically tear the the financial report apart and put it back together.

Mike said he has felt very welcome and has received many positive comments from the Parish. He is looking forward to his time with us.

Any comments that the Parish has can be addressed to his e-mail account which is in the bulletin. His job at St. Louis should be finished by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year,

\* Mark Next Introduced Fr. Damian;

Father said he had been here 12 years ago and many said that he had baptized their Children. He said that He recognized many faces, but the names were hard to come by. When He was here before there were 4 Priests here. The first thing he noticed was "What Happened to Weigel Funeral Home??"

### Present

**President:** Mark Masavage  
**V. President:** Andy Eckstein

**Secretary:** Nelson French

**Finance:** Erik Tuveson

**Faith:** Leron Giesting

**Parish Life:** Linda Siefert

**DRE:** Amy Tonges

Father said that He will be here till January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Father said that he will not be making a lot of changes, he is here to do the Liturgy and to be with and Minister to the People.

## **Commission Updates:**

**\* VP**

Andy Ekstein met with Parish Festival committee last night, the committee members would like to a Booth at the festival to tell the Parish what the council and the committees do. There will be hand outs at the booth, staff the booth from 11am to 4pm. 8 people so far have signed up to work. We will give away a free CD every hour to draw interest. There will be a split the pot at 4pm cost of \$1.00-6 chances for \$5.00. Andy is planning a comment and suggestion box also if they would be interested in becoming part of one of the Committees. We would need to follow up on all of the comments. We had discussed having a mass e-mail system set up, Mark volunteered to do this. Andy presented a picture of a banner that he had made; it is 2x4 foot. The Festival committee is in dire need of people to set up and for cleanup. The Tuesday and Wednesday at 8am before the festival and 8am on the following Monday.

**\* Parish Life Chairperson:**

Linda Siefert was asked about the advertisement for the Festival, she passed around copies of the ad that has been used for the past 9 years that we have done.

3 Column x5 inch full color as-over 24,000 readers

Publication Days in Batesville: Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

Publication Days in Greensburg: Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

Batesville Big Ad Home Page Web Site-over 52,000 page views

Publishes on line August 24 Through September 20<sup>th</sup>.

3 Column x 2 inch full color coupon ad-over 24,000 readers and 52,000page views combined.

Publication Days in Batesville: September 6<sup>th</sup> and September 13<sup>th</sup>/

Cost:\$700.63

This would be paid for out of the Festival Budget.

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**Parish Life Minutes: August 12, 2014**

Meeting was called to order by Linda Siefert and opened with prayer. Last meeting was in May. Rhea Dawn reported on sending out welcome notes to new families and condolences to families of deceased member of the parish.

Planning for the celebration of the Feast of St. Louis on August, 24<sup>th</sup> was discussed. Coffee and donuts will be served at all Sunday Masses. Fr. Damian

was asked to attend to meet the Parishioners. Amy Tonges was asked to have the kids games set up again this year and Wade Ryle to set up a tent.

The letter from the Archbishop was discussed.

The next meeting will be September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**\* A request**, Please Committee Chairpersons send me a write up on the report you will be giving at the Council meetings. THANK YOU!

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**Closing Prayer: Fr. Damian**

**Upcoming Meetings: September 16, 2014, 7pm, room B-1 in school**

**Tea, water, ice-Nelson-I will furnish for each meeting if we can have a volunteer for snacks.**

**Snacks-Sebastian**

**Submitted:**

**Nelson French**

**Secretary**

**Parish Council**