

Minutes of All Saints' Vestry Meeting
October 26, 2021, 7:00 PM
All Saints' Chapel Building

In attendance: Father Mark Collins, Eileen Murphy, Sara Combs, Stephen Chan, Michael Geiger (Treasurer), Donna Laporta, Kathy Polo, Nancy Treacy

Unable to attend: Edgardo Adoptante, Sue Morgan, Susan Moscatello, Ted Wagner

Father Mark opened the meeting with a prayer.

Review of Agenda

Minutes of prior vestry meeting reviewed, 1 correction on date (October 2 to October 26 vestry meeting), motioned and seconded to approve as amended, motion passed.

Review of Parish Calendar

- Ingathering Sunday on November 21
- Angel Tree to be up and decorated in narthex on November 27, gifts due to church by Sunday December 12
- St. Paul's Dinner on November 29th, the last dinner for All Saints' this year.
- Greening of the Church on December 11

Financial Report from Treasurer Mike Geiger

- Seeming deficit due to timing of giving: large donations come in December
- Pledges are 77% realized
- We have continued good rental income for Parish hall use
- Brief discussion of miscellaneous income: flowers, memorials, one-off donations
- Contract has been established with TLC Landscaping for snow removal this winter
- Audit of preschool in the future as financial details still being finalized
- PPP forgiveness of second loan is status quo.

Motion to accept financial report, seconded and passed.

Eileen Murphy reported personal donations were made to Father Mark's family church in memory of his stepmother Grace Collins.

Review of Episcopal Visitation by Rt. Rev. Carlye Hughes on October 24, 2021.

- Visit went extremely well: customized cookies with ASC logo, apple cider coffee hour on the forecourt, well-attended parish meeting with the bishop in the parish hall.
- Compliments to Bishop Hughes' message of honesty: "back to normal" is not anytime soon, and some changes may be permanent.
- Vestry meeting with the bishop focused on new leadership development and sabbatical (due soon) and eventual retirement of Father Mark.

Stewardship Update

Nancy Treacy announced theme for Stewardship season, Home Keeping. She will be first speaker on October 31, then asked Sara and Brian Combs to speak on November 7 (she agreed) and Eileen Wagner to speak on November 14. Ingathering Sunday will be November 21.

Concert Committee

Donna Laporta updated:

- Posters up around town for November 7, 2021 concert by The London Trio. A special piece commemorating Elaine Cunningham has been composed and will be included in the concert.
- March 20, 2022: The Sugar Bar All Star Band will perform (house band of Sugar Bar in NYC).
- May 2022 (exact date TBD): Organ Concert featuring Chris Creigan. The dedication of the Memorial Organ in memory of Elaine Cunningham will take place on that date.

Tech Committee

- From Stephen Chan, 3 bids have been received, questioned and answered from potential vendors
- Based on site visits, two bids being seriously considered.
- Recommendations to the vestry should be made at November meeting.

Nominating Committee

- Committee consists of rector, wardens, former warden, outgoing vestry members.
- 7 slots to be filled: one warden and 6 vestry members
- Possible candidates for consideration proposed by all in attendance.
- Vote to approve by parish will occur at the annual meeting in January 2022.

Outreach

- Thanksgiving food drive ongoing, proceeds to St. Paul's Paterson Food Pantry.
- Soup and Chili sale on November 14 to benefit St. Paul's.
- Angel Tree (mentioned above) to benefit Child and Family Services of Ridgewood.

Glimpses of Grace

Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Treacy, Clerk of the Vestry