

MINUTES FROM THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

JANUARY 8, 2012

PRESIDING: Rev. Bill Smith

-Vestry Members Present: Wayne Griffin, George Cleary, Janet Clarke, Olga Chavez, Norman Hudson, Bruce McLeod, Miguel Pena, Adolfo Barrios.

-Vestry Member Absent: Leandus Campbell

-OPENING PRAYER: The opening prayer was said at 1:45PM by Fr. Bill

-ADOPT AGENDA: A motion was made to adopt the agenda put forth for the Annual Parish Meeting. (Diane Moehl, Linda Crossen)

-APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY: Susan Adams was approved for the position of Secretary of the Vestry. (all approved).

-NOMINATION OF NEW VESTRY MEMBERS: 5 members off and 5 new positions to be filled. Three 3- year terms, One 2- year term and One 1- year term.

-RESULTS OF ELECTIONS: Those elected to a 3- year term are: Bonnie Claren, Elias Jensen, and Aquinda Toppin. The 2- year term will be served by Carmen Mandoza and the 1- year term will be served by Juan Gomez. The remaining members of the vestry are Wayne Griffin, George Cleary, Janet Clarke and Olga Chavez.

-REPORTS: The written budget was passed out in the packet of reports. The vestry is responsible for approving the budget for the year in the vestry meeting. Father Bill thanked everyone for their continued support.

-SENIOR WARDEN REPORT: Wayne was pleased with the progress that was made during the year. He mentioned the additional seating provided in the choir space and also the new kneeling pads at the altar. The drainage and leveling completed on our property at no cost. The addition of the wonderful web site that is available due to the expertise of Carol Gooden. This enables those looking for a parish and information about us to be readily available to everyone. He mentioned that great people often do not get mentioned. Arlene Mighty did a great job as recording secretary and working in the office to help where needed. Gertrude McLeod who spends 3 to 4 days a week entering data in the computer. Tina Guerrero also is an asset to the office with her knowledge and availability to help with projects put before her. Marilyn Upright who provides a warm welcome to everyone and George Cleary our Jr. Warden who co-ordinates the work around the church with his helpers, John Williams, Norman Hudson and George Adams. Bruce McLeod who is instrumental in talking and working with the

architects and contractors. Last year we were far behind on our pledges for the roof, but are planning to go forward with the plans for the much needed roof. We have anticipated and planned \$33,000 for a full time priest to be put in place in the second half of the year.

-OTHER REPORTS THAT WERE FILED: Florists, Altar Guild, Eucharistic Ministers, Youth Group, Daughters of the King, and Thrift Shop. These reports were found in the packet distributed at the meeting. Carole Gooden announced that many countries from around the world had accessed our web page, Australia, Brazil, Japan, India, Germany, France, and Romania to name a few. Carole also mentioned that we can place on the web page the activities of our groups and that all newsletters and sermons are also on the web page.

-SPANISH REPORT: Carmen Mendoza informed us that the Wednesday night prayer service is growing each week. They feel that they know more about the Bible. In addition to Wednesday night prayer, Aurora Mata is providing the children help with their studies K to 12th grade. All subjects but Math. At 6:30PM Carmen teaches First Communion and Confirmation classes for our Youth. Bonnie Claren and Carmen Mendoza work with the Youth Group every other Friday. They are asking for more teachers. The music for the Spanish Service has grown tremendously. The musicians meet 3 times a week. Prayer, Practice and Sundays (3 hrs.) They have been encouraging the little children to sing and they are learning the music.

-CURSILLO AND ULTRAYA REPORT: Adolfo Barrios was rector of the recent Spanish Cursillo for the Diocese. He told us that 20 to 30 people have gone to Cursillo and Ultraya in Orlando. They have had many activities and that God has blessed them greatly. They have 11 new members in Cursillo and there are 40 people from Holy Faith who attended Cursillo in Orlando. It has been a blessing to them internally and externally in the Church. Work, activity and our heart is with Jesus Christ. On December 17th there was a Mexican Festival which we tried for the first time and God blessed us and we collected \$410.31 which was given to the Junior Warden. There were 4 Posadas at Holy Faith and 5 at different homes in St. Lucie County. Friday the service of the Three Kings was celebrated on Epiphany and was beautiful. Maria, Carmen, and Miguel have been visiting the sick and taking communion to those in need. This is a most important ministry for the church.

-PRESS RELEASES: Allen mentioned that if any groups in the church wish to have articles placed in the newspaper they need to place them way in advance of activity and the newspaper prefers to have a picture accompany the article which further insures that they will print the information.

-SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL SERVICES IN LENT: Fr. Bill announced that Holy Week will be at Saint Simons. Ascension will be hosted by Holy Faith which is the last Thursday in May. Ash Wednesday services will be 10AM with Holy Faith and Old Catholics. 5PM in English, 7PM in

Spanish.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Adams, Recording Secretary