

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 17, 2012

PRESIDING: Rev. William H. Smith

VESTRY MEMBERS PRESENT: Wayne Griffin, Olga Chavez, George Cleary, Aquinda Toppin, Janet Clarke, Elias Jensen, Carmen Mendoza, Bonnie Claren Juan Gomez.

OTHERS PRESENT: None

TREASURER: George Adams & Elias Jensen

RECORDING SECRETARY: Susan Adams

OPENING PRAYER: Father Bill opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:38PM.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: A motion was made to adopt the agenda. (Wayne Griffin, George Cleary). All were in favor.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2012: A motion was made to adopt the minutes. (Wayne Griffin, George Cleary). All were in favor.

MATTERS ARISING: The barbecue originally set for November 3rd has been moved to November 10, 2012. The time is 12PM to 5PM in the Parish Hall. Tickets are on sale.

REPORT OF PRIEST-IN CHARGE: Father Bill reported that Father Bill Beers from Food for the Poor will be the preacher at all three services on October 21st. Sunday, October 28th will be Father Bill's last Sunday services. He will be preside at the weekly Wednesday service on October 31st. There will not be an 8AM Service on the 28th, but a

combined service for all the services at 10AM with a special celebration in the Parish Center following services to thank Father Bill and Paula for all they have done for Holy Faith in their 12 years of ministry. Father Bill and Paula will be "getting out of town" visiting their children and plan to return on December 1st. Father Bill mentioned that he has \$442.47 in the discretionary fund as of October 17th.

SENIOR WARDEN: Olga Chavez reported that October 31, 2012 will be Father Bill Smith's last day at Holy Faith. Olga spoke to Father Kendrick Lewis and he consented to help with Services on November 4th and November 7th at the 8AM and 10AM Services respectively. He will also cover the 10AM Wednesday Services. Olga also informed us that there would be a meeting on November 7, 2012 at 6:30PM with Bishop Gregory Brewer and Canon Bennet with the Vestry and Search Committee.

JUNIOR WARDEN: No Report

TREASURER: A motion was made to continue the collection of the discretionary funds on the second Sunday of each month but the funds would not be dispensed to anyone until a priest has been selected for Holy Faith. The fund would continue to grow and build. (Wayne Griffin, George Cleary). Eight in favor, one abstain. The treasurer's report was handed out to the Vestry. Elias Jensen mentioned that he will be meeting with George Adams to further his training on presenting the treasurer's report at the Vestry meetings.

HISPANIC MINISTRY: The Hispanic ministry has about 75 to 90 persons, including the teens attending the mass. There are about 15 to 20 children. The Sunday school varies with 15 to 20 children under 10 years of age. Carmen Mendoza and her daughter are the teachers and Carmen teaches the First Communion classes.

There will be 2 baptisms in November with one quick class on November 20, 2012. On Wednesday, the Prayer and Bible group meets at 7PM. The average attendance is 25 to 40 persons including teens and children.

Aurora Mata continues the tutoring to school children of all ages.

Father Pepe will continue home visits and blessing the homes. Father Pepe, Adolfo Barrios, Elias, Maria, Olga F and Juan will be at the Cursillio in Canterbury on November the 2nd to the 11th.

Aurora Mata will be covering morning prayer on November 6, 2012 because Father Pepe is going to be in Orlando.

Father Pepe will be going to Kentucky in November for Thanksgiving, but will be covering the service after Thanksgiving weekend.

Miguel Pea has continued with the chorus practice every Friday evening.

We are blessed that God gives us a place to worship and pray.

Father Bill mentioned that out of 42 Sundays the Spanish congregation's attendance is the highest for 37 Sundays in comparison to the other services.

GROUND AND MAINTENANCE: Members of the Vestry reported that the Air Conditioner in the Parish Center is not keeping the Center Cool. George Cleary said that when turning on the Air Conditioner you need to switch over to auto from fan and it should work keeping the Center Cool for their use.

ACTIVITIES: Aquinda Toppin reported that she was in contact with two companies in North Carolina concerning the sale of pumpkins and also Christmas trees. It was felt by the Vestry that it was too late to look into selling pumpkins. A motion was made to have a Christmas tree sale. (Bonnie Claren, Carmen Mendoza). All were in favor. Aquinda said that the company would come and set up and provide all the equipment necessary to sell the trees, but that we would have to provide the manpower to wrap the trees and place them on the cars for the customers. Aquinda also talked about seeking out the Avenue D Choir to possibly come to Holy Faith to give a concert. This would be another way to help make money for the church and also bring people into Holy

Faith. Aquinda told the Vestry there would not be a Harvest Dinner but she was hoping to promote a trip to the Holy Land. Someone asked about the Thanksgiving Dinner and she asked if people are interested in having a dinner to contact her and she would see what could be done. There will be a Thanksgiving Service at St. Simon's on November 21st for the four Episcopal Churches in St Lucie County.

NEW BUSINESS: Wayne Griffin received notice that Albertson's is no longer a community partner. He also received a donation request from the Episcopal Society for the care of animals in need in honor of St. Francis.

Father Bill thanked the three people whom he had asked to serve as Senior Warden while he was Priest-In -Charge at Holy Faith. They were Bonnie Claren, Wayne Griffin and Olga Chavez. He told them he appreciated all their help and committment while serving in that capacity. He also thanked all those who in any capacity worked for the good of Holy Faith.

DATE OF NEXT VESTRY MEETING: Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30PM.

CLOSING PRAYER: Father Bill closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Susan Adams, Recording Secretary