

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting - October 2, 2018
St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church

Father Brooks Ledford opened the monthly meeting at 6:58 pm with prayer. Donna Dimitri thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Roll Call - Janice Leyden. **Council Members Present:** Donna Dimitri, Sergio Georgi, Fiori Papa, Michele Lorimer, Janice Leyden, William Bortner, Nilda Salavachi. **Auxiliary Members Present:** Dorothy Tomassini, Linda Notskas, Linda Kosta, Linda Biando. **Sunday School Director:** Steve Coraluzzi. **Clergy:** Father Brooks Ledford. **Guest present:** Brianna Powles.

Secretary's Report: The September 2018 minutes were presented by Michele Lorimer. Janice Leyden made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Bill Bortner seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Nilda Salavachi presented the September 2018 Treasurer's report. 1) \$45,872.00 was pledged for 2018, \$32,370.00 has been received. 2) \$16,575.00 was promised from the 2018 Icon Auction, we received \$10,435.00. 3) All bills are paid up to date. Michele Lorimer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Janice Leyden seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Pastor's Report: Father Brooks Ledford

- 1) Father will be moving his office to the nursery school room downstairs.
- 2) Currently looking for someone to teach the high school class. Father will be stepping aside from teaching this class in order to be in the church hall during coffee hour to spend time with visitors.
- 3) Parish council was asked by Father to please inform him of any issues with parishioners and their families who may need his assistance/prayers in a time of need that he may not be aware of.

Chairperson Report: Donna Dimitri (nothing to report)

Committee/Other Reports:

- 1) Sunday School - Steve Coraluzzi
 - Sunday school resumed September 16th.
 - Had an average of 17-18 children present.
 - Halloween party October 28th.
 - Christmas Pageant December 23rd.
 - As part of this years curriculum we will be using the book "The Orthodox Church:455 Questions and Answers" with the students.
- 2) Technology Update - Sergio Georgi
 - Pastor's Corner is updated.

- Finished the tri-fold brochures for Baptism, Marriage and Memorial. Samples will be available at next month's meeting.
- Some 52 bulbs were replaced from all 5 chandeliers.
- Installed and configured the 3rd Wi-Fi Access point in the office.

Old Business:

- 1) Church Clean-up went very well. Had a great turn out and it was suggested to do this more frequently during the year.
- 2) Halloween Party October 28th.
- 3) Nameday Celebration November 11th. Parishioners will sponsor coffee hour. Baskets will be prepared as well as a 50/50.

New Business:

- 1) Christmas Outing Saturday, December 8th. A Christmas Carol musical at the Walnut Street Theatre 11:00 am. Lunch following.
- 2) Next Parish Council meeting, Tuesday, November 6th at 7:00 pm.

Janice Leyden made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Nilda Salavachi seconded the motion. All were in favor, whereupon the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Lorimer
Secretary