

**Parish Life Committee Meeting**  
**Tuesday, November 14, 2017**  
**5:30 held at Boy Scout location**

**Parish Life Mission Statement**

**The parish Life Committee seeks to emphasize the importance of human relationships through fellowship within the St Mary's Community.**

**Attendees: Marlene, April, Leon, Megan, Eileen, Suzanne, Paul and Mary Lou, Dave and Carol, Mary Jane, Brenda, Linda and Verna**

1. Call to order and prayer- by Verna
2. Secretary/Treasurer report  
Marlene Bettin reported \$655.77 was turned in for Octoberfest
3. Old Business
  - a. Octoberfest, Saturday, October 28 after 5:00 PM Mass in school.  
Carol Radjl gave report:  
In future we need to have better communication making sure we all know that there is a free will offering so that can be added in the advertisement pieces. Discussion on where does the money go when we do a Free will offering. Is it a good thing? Do we want to continue that when we have events?  
For 2018:  
We need to budget \$500 For food, and what ever our entertainment is, This year Nathans Band was \$450.  
Have 2 lines for food; setup differently, serve the food to guests, hours from 5:30 to 8:30 , Divide into groups for the different dishes – Ex: one group make Potato dish, another do desserts, another do meat, beans, etc . More storage needed for food, re Fridgeration space.
  - b. Motion was made by Eileen to have Octoberfest again next year, have a free will offering and Nathan's band. Linda seconded the motion and motion carried. A date of October 27, 2018 was set, contingent on calendar and Father Steve approval. Approximately \$1000.00 budget.
4. New Business  
Stewardship Ministry Fair was November 18 and 19. Thank you to all the volunteers that worked our Booth and thank you Paul for the poster and signup sheets. I will be contacting 5 people that showed interest.

Thanksgiving Dinner November 23–

There is an evening ecumenical service before Thanksgiving.

We talked about our group to serve refreshments in 2020

Christmas Angel Tree – **April and Brad Brejcha are chairpersons, 320-762-4055.**

December 2 and 3 – Stand at the Angel tree to give out Angels from Tree

I do not have the list of who volunteered

December 17 after 10AM Mass the gifts will be sorted

December 18, 4:00 – 5:00 pm the gifts will be delivered.

January 19<sup>th</sup> Adult movie night in the Great Hall Father Steve has movies. We will serve popcorn and lemonade.

Mardi Gras – February 10 after 5PM Mass.

We will have a tasting in January (date to be decided) at Eileens and start planning with ideas and information. Discuss dinner, music, kids' games, etc.

Christmas Party/Meeting is Tuesday, December 12, 5:30 PM, at Paul and Mary Lou Maack home

Verna Winter