

PARISH COUNCIL

REPORT

1963

On behalf of the parish council and myself I am happy to report the following accomplishments for the past year of 1963.

1. The Parish Council initiated and completed a inventory of the Church contents.
2. The Council with the aid of the A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs., painted and redecorated the two Sunday School Class-rooms.
3. The picnic, which fell far short of expectations due to lack of attendance. As many of you will remember there was some rain that Sunday morning.
4. A new filing system was started but as yet is uncompleted. However, when completed it will be of tremendous aid to all organizations of the Church and greatly cut down the time consuming chores of sending out flyers, letters, reports and other correspondance.
5. Being a member of the Midwest Regional Council, we participated in the summer camp program and are currently involved in selling ads for the Midwest Telephond Directory.
6. Our mailing list has been brought up to date. If any errors are known, please inform us.
7. The parish has been active and currently is in the task of securing the services of a full time clergy.
8. We have united with the building committee to secure pledges for the new Church.
9. No attempts have been made by the council to write a set of bi-laws to govern our Church. It is recommended that this be done in the coming year because of the problems that will be encountered with the new Church.
10. During the past year a total of twenty Parish Council Meetings were held.

At this time I would like to express the Parish Council's appreciation to all the organizations for the splendid support and aid they have given us.

While this situation existed between the Council and organizations, it was lacking between individual members and the Council. It is of paramount importance for our members to realize that nine Council Members cannot possibly undertake all the duties that is required to keep the Church functioning. More aid is required from members to help out in routine matters. For example whether it is a picnic, a dance, or a dinner in the Church Hall, it certainly is unfair to expect the Parish Council to sell tickets, prepare the affair, entertain, serve, put the chairs and tables away and sweep the floors. In addition to all this to attend meetings, prepare reports, aid the clergy and participate in affairs of other organizations and other Churches.

We must have the help of our members. We must work together. It is wrong for members to think that financial aid is all that is required from them. Money in itself does not perform any duties. It takes people who devote their time that allows money to do things.

If every member performed one small task which takes very little of their time it would produce results far greater than one can imagine. This Church belongs to all the people, it therefore, is fitting that we all help accomplish a climate and rejuvenation that is befitting a new Church.

A little later on the building committee Chairman will give you a report on the progress of the new Church. I don't want you to get the idea that money is just sitting in a bank waiting to be spent. As you will soon hear nothing could be further from the truth.

I am sure that all of us can realize the enormous undertaking ahead of us. May we all have the courage and ability to follow thru to a successful completion of the task before us in the coming year.

Thank You.

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Chairman Parish Council