Parish Council minutes Oct. 3, 2018

Present: Fr. Tom, Sam Ensley, Adam Freiburger, Carole Fuller, John Minick, Jay Nelson, Margaret Ryan, Dan Schneider, Mary Ann Slater, John Whitmore, Mark Wissel

1. We discussed the current church scandals and our plans for a day of Prayer and Reparation on Oct. 5.
2. We discussed our parish tithe. We agreed that it would be good to raise our parish tithe and to add some gifts internationally. An annual gift to Bishop Muhiirwa’s seminary in Uganda seems like a good idea.
3. We discussed Faith in Indiana, the community action organization which is working with various churches to promote health care, prison reform, and ways to deal with the sins of racism and poverty.
4. Information
5. A contract has been signed for our new church roof. Construction should begin in the next month or so.
6. Our new Sunday afternoon Bible study had a kick-off on Sunday. Roughly 20 people attended. John SeCheverall is leading.
7. A parishioner has proposed beginning an apologetics course. Fr. Tom will meet with him for more details.
8. An animal blessing is scheduled for Oct. 6
9. The movie Screenagers will be shown on Oct. 7 after the evening Mass. Parents from surrounding parishes are invited to learn about the challenges of raising teens in the electronic age.