

**ST. JOHN'S PARISH
VESTRY MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2011**

Present: Junior Warden Boyd Baker, Claudia Boyce, Tom Gopsill, Jerry Houston, Perry Jameson, Bubba Jenkins, Adair McKoy, Libby Puckette, Bruce Saxman, and Ford Walpole. Also present: Fr. Dagnall Free, Treasurer John Blich, and Recording Secretary Melanie Poston. Not present: Fr. Greg Snyder, Senior Warden Perry Gervais, and Bill Leland

Fr. Free gave an update on hospitalized parishioners and asked for prayers for those parishioners.

Fr. Free opened with prayer, then read a devotion from 1 Peter 3:15.

The December meeting minutes were passed as presented.

Treasurer's Report

John Blich reviewed the December financial report, and reported on the bank account.

Claudia Boyce made a motion to balance the Que-N-Blue line item, using money from the Restricted – Undesignated Funds account. Ford Walpole seconded the motion. The motion passed.

John reported on the current number of pledges (144) and the amount pledged to date which was \$678,658.

Care of the Needy

Boyd Baker reminded the Vestry to continue to get out the word to help the needy of the islands.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Alpha

Libby Puckette reminded the Vestry that the start date for the winter Alpha is February 3rd. She said the winter Alpha chairman, Gretchen Horlbeck, would appreciate their prayers.

Libby also gave an update on a proposed joint Alpha (with Rockville Presbyterian). She had been told Rockville Presbyterian is interested in joining with St. John's Parish, but she has not yet been contacted by Rockville Presbyterian.

Vestry Biographies

Revised Vestry biographies, which will be handed out to parishioners on Sunday before the Annual Meeting, were distributed.

Senior Warden's Report

Boyd Baker reported on behalf of Senior Warden Perry Gervais. Perry will appreciate prayers for his father.

Fr. Free gave clarification on the proposed changes to the by-laws. Fr. Free said the changes are in support of the Diocese of South Carolina. Boyd also emphasized that the leaders of the church have no desire to leave the Diocese.

Boyd reported, in answer to a question, there is no news on any changes in property and liability insurance. The motion passed unanimously.

Junior Warden's Report

Boyd Baker reported that the painting of the outside of the church has been completed, and the cost was much less than anticipated—a little over \$12,000. Boyd also reported that the decks of the rectory have been repainted. He believes the cost to paint will be about half of the \$25,000 estimate. Painting of the decks and repair of the ceiling of the Rectory.

Curate's Report

Fr. Free has visited the sick, engaged in spiritual counseling, prayed the Daily Office, and prepared sermons. He spent time preparing to be celebrant after being ordained, and met with people in need. Fr. Free also took communion to shut-ins in the week before Christmas.

Other

Boyd shared thank-you notes from staff members who wrote expressing appreciation for the Year-End Bonus given.

Tom Gopsill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jerry Houston seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Fr. Free closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melanie Poston
Recording Secretary