

**Finance Council**  
**Our Lady of Mount Carmel**  
**Thursday, May 31, 2012**  
**6:30 pm**  
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Fr. Nick called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, and opened with a prayer.

Present: Fr. Nick, Renea Huinker, Joe Scally, Dianne Blazek, Mark Mueterthies, Steve Lynch and Grace Arens. Tom Brincks was also present.

The agenda and March Minutes were approved by consensus.

The Finance Report was discussed. Outstanding bills were addressed. The self-insurance premium is due for \$7,113.. Discussion was held on income & expenses for the last fiscal year. Budget was discussed. Steve Lynch will contact Grace after the fiscal year ends.

The reconciliation room remodeling is almost complete. Memorials will pay a part of this project.

Ceiling Fans: Tom Brincks, chair of the Pastoral Council presented a bid from Stanton Electric, New Hampton for six ceiling fans for the church. Total cost will be \$2,500. Plus tax and inspection fees. After some discussion, consensus was to purchase the fans. Tom will contact Stanton and ask that they be installed ASAP.

Fr. Moran Center Siding: Tom Brincks presented an estimate from Schuchhardt Construction for \$5,823.19 to replace the bottom 4' of siding due to water damage.

Renea reported that the church organ has been repaired, and that a piano will be ordered. Grace will place a notice in the church bulletin regarding the fan installation and the new piano, and request donations.

The position of business manager was discussed. The parish house could be cleaned and repairs made to offer it as part of the hiring package. Volunteers and a Parish Society Circle will be called upon to do this.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next meeting is TBA.

Grace Arens,  
Recording Secretary

**Finance Council  
Special Meeting  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
Sunday, July 8, 2012  
After the 8:00 am Mass  
OLMC Meeting Room**

Renea Huinker called the meeting to order at 9:10 am.

Present: Fr. Nick, Renea Huinker, Dianne Blazek, Mark Mueterthies, Steve Lynch and Sinclair and Emily Ender, new business manager and assistant manager. Also present, Grace Arens, secretary.

Renea gave a synopsis of what has been completed in the parish house. The highlights are: complete cleaning from ceiling to floor, painting some of the rooms and carpet cleaning. Repairing some of the more noticeable cracks, broken windows and screens. Replacing bathroom fixtures and much more. Outside: garages have been cleaned and painted and new garage door openers installed. She expressed thanks to the many volunteers and the circle members who gave their time and energy in the intense heat.

She informed the members that two major projects to be considered are a more centralized heating and cooling system, storm doors, possible replacing of some of the carpet, and painting the outside trim on the parish house. By concensus the council gave an ok to install the heating & cooling system, to be done by Tim Phillips, and to replace the four storm doors. They ask that Renea compile bids for the painting and carpet.

The council addressed Grace Arens' evaluation. She was also given a 50 cent per hour raise. Grace informed the members that she applied for Medicare and therefore will not be under the archdiocese health insurance plan. In the past the parish paid her \$384 individual coverage. She asked if they could give financial aid toward her insurance. The council agreed to \$214.60; Medicare, \$69, Humana, \$35.40 and Blue Cross Supplemental, \$110.20. This is a savings to the parish.

Sinclair asked if he could purchase ceiling fans and smoke/carbon detectors. This was given an ok.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Grace Arens,  
Recording Secretary