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| **Minutes from Parish Council**  May 4, 2016   Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Magdalene Howell. Rita Guest said an opening prayer. New members of parish council were introduced; Linda Gregory Phil Olekszyk Kevin Smith( not present) Rita Guest- reelected  Rita introduced the guest speaker for the meeting. Mr. Steve Lanning from Bluewater Publishing. He shared a proposal to the council for a new church directory. He showed several books and products his company produced. Most of the discussion was around creating an E-Book format that could be downloaded by parishioners. The company will come to the church and take family photographs. Families can then purchase photograph packages. The proofs would be online with password security in place. The company will schedule days at the church for parishioners to come and be photographed. Then the families can purchase their packages. Pictures and events can be added to the E-Book once it has been completed. New families coming into the parish could be added at specified intervals throughout the year. The E-Book would be free for the first 2 years and then a fee of $150.00 annually would be charged to the church. Links to the webpage could be added for parishioners. All users would be able to download the entire document and have access to it. The discussion turned to the security issues of having the directory on line. How much information would be comfortable for everyone- addresses, phone numbers, birthdays, etc. Father mentioned the possibility of having businesses advertise in the books to offset costs for production. Mr. Lanning recommended this. There would be about a two week turnaround time after all photographs have been taken. This would definitely be an advantage. We thanked Mr. Lanning for his presentation and he left. Father asked that council members come to the next meeting prepared to make a decision. The next meeting is scheduled for May 18. MaryAnn Cronin gave the closing prayer and the meeting was adjoined at 8:00pm.  Submitted to Chriss Lawrence by Linda Gregory   https://ssl.gstatic.com/ui/v1/icons/mail/profile_mask2.png |