

## **St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church Monthly Meeting June 22nd, 2025**

**Call to Order / Opening Prayer:** 12:00 PM

Father Opened with Prayer

Welcomed New Council Member Dan Ledger

Mark Guyer, Warden taking minutes for this meeting.

### **Approval of May 2025 Minutes**

Council approved minutes

### **Rector's Report**

Father Stephen discussed family with young son & father who is an ordained non canonical catholic priest who may or may not return to us. Many new catechumens. Website traffic is up. Discussed Tom Maty's request to limit announcements at the end of services.

### **Warden's Report**

Church bathroom renovation – ongoing – currently looking for floor tile / Bob has completed the back steps project.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Income is currently at 47K YTD – 14K where we should be according to budget. Ron to continue addressing the parish. Suggestion was made to stress the actual dollar amount we are shy in collections - saying we are down 3% from last year does not raise the alarms enough. Dan brought up an idea to bring a guest speaker to discuss tithing. Council had discussion on tithing. Discussed bringing in Father John Dresko in August to discuss tithing.

Discussed Fundraisers – Yard Sale, Turkey Shoot, Dunk Booth - Dan was asked to look into co-ordinating a Turkey Shoot for end of Oct – Nov

### **Reports on Parish Activities**

- Discussed Patron Saint day 7/27 - will have waterslide and a BBQ Cook Off.
- Discussed Possible outing Splash in the Borough, Savannah Symphony, October Chili - Cookoff or an Old Style Bake Sale /Auction
- Paul has asked to resign from the parish council at the end of this year.

### **New Business - Tabled**

- Youth Group

### **Old Business - Most Old Business Tabled**

- New Hall
- Land Survey - Mark will reach out to schedule this
- Kitchen Inventory List
- Parish Feast Day (July 27th)
- AA Meeting Ministry
- Prison Ministry
- Tabletop Young Adults Ministry

### **Brainstorming**

- Marketing the parish - Tabled

**Call for Adjournment / Closing Prayer** - Meeting Adjourned. 12:41 PM - **Next Meeting: September 21st, 2025**