



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

March 16<sup>th</sup> 2017

Present: Fr. William Gerry Searcy, Jim Ladieu, Chris Frazier, Cassi Frazier, Ron Westphal, Rick Fisher, Kay Bulzacchelli

Absent with notice: Michael Brown, Jack Goodrum, Steve Valiquette, Tim Templeton

Absent without notice: Mark Schweska, Carmel Slattery

Also in attendance: Pat and Joe Connell, Jerilyn Rost

- I. Finance- The YTD collection totals were shared with the council. Jim Ladieu questioned the on-line contribution totals. The Finance Committee set a meeting to be held April 10<sup>th</sup> with Rick Fisher, Ron Westphal, Kay Bulzacchelli, Jim Ladieu, Dcn. Joe Holzmer (Diocesan Controller), Fr. William and Jerilyn Rost. The discussion was had about the overall cost of the HVAC installation in the church, as well as any pending expenses.
- II. Religious Education- It was reported that two students would be receiving Confirmation at the Catholic Pastoral Center on March 29<sup>th</sup>. The dates for First Communion were confirmed for April 30<sup>th</sup> in the Novus Ordo, and April 7<sup>th</sup> in the Extraordinary Form. Cassi Frazier would like to start the signups for Totus Tuus earlier than in previous years, and the dates were announced for July 15<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup>. We will be joining together with Holy Name Catholic Church once again. Volunteers will be needed, and a call for volunteers will be put in the bulletin in early June.
- III. Women's Group- Kay Bulzacchelli reported that the Women's Group will be purchasing the cake for the upcoming First Communions Celebrations, both the Novus Ordo and the Extraordinary Form. She also brought up the need for inclusion between the Masses, and the formation of a new group possibly to meet in the summer months when religious education is on hiatus, joining the two Mass groups together for community outreach or philanthropy. The Council welcomed this introduction and would like to move forward with the creation of this group.
- IV. Loaves and Fishes- Chris and Cassi Fisher reported that people continue to volunteer on the Assumption Saturday, but they are always in need of more volunteers.
- V. 40 Days for Life- Carmel Slattery was absent, but Jerilyn Rost gave details for the 40 Days at Planned Parenthood, and noted that Assumption and St. Mary's days to pray are on Thursday's throughout Lent.
- VI. Liturgy- Fr. William made a request to put the word out for new lectors at the 11am Mass- he extended the invitation to high school students. The request will also go out in the bulletin. Fr. William went through the details of the Holy Week Schedule. Fr. William has added many more hours for confession during Holy Week. He also stated that the Easter Vigil will not be as long as it was last year. It was announced that we will have a supper after the Easter Vigil. Jerilyn Rost will provide the items for the Vigil, while Cassi Frazier and Kay Bulzacchelli volunteered for setting up and cleaning up after the supper.
- VII. Buildings and Grounds- Jack Goodrum was not present to give a report. Jerilyn Rost updated the council on the completion of the small renovation of the Rectory with carpet and paint. It has been completed and is vacant until there is a possible new assignment. We will be having several visitors over the next months, and will have a Seminarian join us throughout Holy Week. We will await Bishop's assignments in June before making any decisions on how to move forward with occupying the residence. Fr. William informed the council that he contacted Fr. Gilstrap requesting seminarian assignments for the Summer to possibly help the Legion of Mary



with a census, as well as some back logged sacramental documents. Father William informed the council that the Capital Campaign has been placed on hold due to the Bishop's health. It will be reintroduced later. The parking situation was brought up, as we continue to have non-parishioners park in our lot without permission, leaving behind trash and some damage. Jerilyn Rost gave details regarding Nashville Booting Company, who will not charge us for their services. To move forward, they will need to post signs deterring those who would like to park. There will be three contact people for the church for booting and unbooting. We will still allow our neighbors, such as the Methodist Church and the Smith Bros. Funeral Home use of the space, if needed.

- VIII. New Business- Jerilyn Rost presented two companies for the Parish Pictorial Directory: Remember Church Directories and Lifetouch. Marketing materials were shown for each. Each does not charge the Parish for copies of the directory. Details were given on the backgrounds of each company, and the size. It was determined to go with the smaller local company, Remember Church Directories. Jerilyn Rost will call the company to set up the dates and time frame for the next Parish Directory.

Father William closed the meeting with a prayer.