



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2016

Present: Don Carmichael, Mark Manning, Bernadette Gross, Jon Axe, Fr. John, Terri Zunis, Ellen Yacobozzi, Don Gates, Jim Jaskowiak, Julie Gauvreau, Vicki Simkovich, Julie Gale

Opening Prayer – 7:00 pm

- I. Faith Sharing (fifteen minutes – reading was [JN 21:1-19](#) led by Mark Manning).
- II. Review and approval of March minutes – reviewed and approved.
- III. Discussion Items
 - A. Year of Mercy-Collection for St. Joseph.
 - i. Items donated from OLQP filled Jon’s car.
 - ii. While delivering the donations, John was invited to visit the men’s quarters.
 - iii. Two more bags of donations remain to be delivered yet.
 - iv. We could do another collections drive either in the summer or else next winter. Jon will follow up with St. Joseph to find out when would be the best time for another collection.
 - B. Discuss Tools for Rebuilding chapters 45-56.
 - i. Many topics pertaining to money in this section of the book.
 - ii. Our Spotlight Ministry each week could be replaced by an annual Ministry Fair.
 - iii. Please read chapters 57-67 before the next Parish Council Meeting.
 - C. Marco’s Pizza “Pizza with a Purpose”. Terri received the box of 25 donated cans of food and an envelope with \$75 in it.
 - D. Darla’s letter.
 - i. Council discussed specific ways we could more effectively communicate what is going on in the parish.
 - ii. E-mailing the Parish Council Meeting minutes to the committee heads of each OLQP parish ministry was discussed.
 - iii. Someone from Council will respond to Darla to let her know that Council will make some improvements to our communications once the best path forward has been determined.
 - E. Welcome Weekend April 23-24th.
 - i. Volunteers were requested for 4:30 pm Saturday.
 - ii. Terri Zunis volunteered to staff the table at 4:30 pm on Saturday.
 - F. Stewardship Commitment Weekend. Council decided to postpone discussion of this topic until the next Council meeting.
 - G. Web site update
 - i. Here is a link to the OLQP beta site: 13722.sites.ecatholic.com which could become our primary site as early as May 1st, 2016.
 - ii. Advantages to using ecatholic.com to host our site are:



- a. Our site would become even more secure from hackers seeking to distribute malware.
 - b. The hosting technology continually updated so that site can be viewed on all devices without long download delays (including mobile devices).
 - c. Pages can be easily updated by OLQP committee chair persons even if they have no knowledge of computer programming or HTML code.
 - iii. Our new website is mobile enabled.
 - iv. Each ministry can host their own portion to upload photos, upcoming events, meeting minutes.
- H. Couples Dinner, Dance, and Social on Saturday, April 16th, at 6 pm in Parish Hall.
- i. Still need to sell more tickets which cost \$45 per couple.
 - ii. Will be like a wedding reception without the wedding.
 - iii. Have sold tickets to 20 couples so far.
 - iv. Jim Wright will be the caterer.
- I. Other –
- IV. Refreshment Break – There was no break.
- V. Committee Reports
- A. Finance (Fr. John) – Nothing to report.
 - B. Building (Fr. John) – OLQP is waiting for spring to complete the parking lot expansion project.
 - C. Welcoming (Ellen Yacobozzi) – The next Welcome Weekend is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd and Sunday April 24th.
 - D. Pre Cana (Jon Axe) -
 - i. The last session went well.
 - ii. Terri and Dave Zunis did a great job organizing it.
 - iii. The session received positive feedback.
 - E. Awakening Faith Committee (Terri Zunis) - Nothing to report.
 - F. GMBA (Terri Zunis) –
 - i. The next meeting will be on April 15th.
 - ii. They are in the process of rebuilding the organization.
 - G. Youth (Julie Gale) – Nothing to report.
 - H. Festival (Julie Gauvreau) – The Festival Committee is evaluating new entertainment options for this year.
 - I. Parish Organizations
 - i. Skills Bank (Vicki Simkovich) – Nothing to report.
 - ii. Holy Name (Don Gates) –
 - a. The Bowling Night was a success. It was a fun event for all attendees.
 - b. The Golf Outing will be July 9th at Pine Brook Golf Course in Grafton (golfpinebrook.com).



- c. David Zunis talked about the upcoming Couples to Couples Dance. Dave said the night would be a chance for Couples to get out and have fun together.
 - iii. Knights of Columbus (Mark Manning) – Nothing to report.
 - iv. Prayer Shawl (Bernadette Gross) - Nothing to report.
 - v. Comfort Caps (Ellen Yacobozzi) - Nothing to report.
 - vi. Ladies Guild (Annette Linden) –
 - a. The Ladies Guild has elections of new officers in their April 18th meeting.
 - b. The Guild just finished co-hosting the Roast Beef Dinner with the Holy Name Society on April 3rd.
 - c. The Guild Garage Sale is April 29th and 30th in the OLQP Parish Hall. The drop off dates are April 24th and 25th.
 - d. May is the last meeting for the Guild before the summer break. They will have a dinner for this meeting in the Parish Hall. All ladies are invited and welcome to join them.
 - vii. Parish Nurse (Bernadette Gross) –
 - a. The next Lab Screening event will be June 12th at 9 am in the Gathering Area.
 - b. Parish Nurse hosted an event at the OLQP Food Pantry on April 2nd at 9 am.
 - viii. Helping Hands (Don Carmichael) – Nothing to report.
- VI. Pastor's Address –
- a. There were 15 people that attended the recent planning meeting for the 2017 Bicentennial Village of Grafton. The group would like permission to tour the OLQP chapel and church.
 - b. April 28th is Confirmation with Bishop Gries.
 - c. May 1st is First Communion.
 - d. Common Leadership Night is June 9th.
- VII. Items for May Agenda – The next Faith Sharing leader will be Vicki Simkovich.

Jim Jaskowiak, Secretary