



## Parish Council Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2017

Present: Fr. John, Julie Gauvreau, Annette Linden, Jim Jaskowiak, Grace Ogonek, Bernadette Gross, Dan White, Vicki Simkovich, Julie Gale, Mark Manning

Opening Prayer – 7:00 pm

- I. Faith Sharing (fifteen minutes – reading was [MT 5:13-16](#) led by Mark Manning).
- II. Review and approval of January minutes – reviewed and approved.
- III. Discussion Items
  - A. Grace Ogonek – OLQP Director of Parish Catechesis –
    - i. Grace will work with the RCIA now that sister is leaving OLQP.
    - ii. Virtus Training March 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall.
  - B. Reverse Raffle – The baskets from Parish Council that Terri Zunis assembled were discussed and appreciated.
  - C. Lent – OLQP has a full schedule planned.
    - i. Begins March 1<sup>st</sup> on Ash Wednesday.
    - ii. Dynamic Catholic has a program for Lent called [Best Lent Ever](#). The book [Resisting Happiness](#) will be tied in.
    - iii. Prayer cards/bookmarks – will list those candidates preparing for 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, Confirmation, and those in preparation to be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil.
    - iv. [Refresh and Renew Your Life](#) booklets.
      - a. Daily reflection booklets that will be available at the doors of the church.
      - b. They contain a Scripture passage and reflection for each day of Lent.
    - v. [Operation Rice Bowl](#) –
      - a. Rice Bowls and information materials are available at the doors of the church.
      - b. Inspiring Catholics to pray, learn, and give.
    - vi. [Helping Hands Food Drive](#) –
      - a. Non-perishable food items for the parish pantry will be collected the weekend of March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
      - b. Please drop off items when you come to Mass this weekend.
    - vii. [Lenten Video Series](#) – *Conversion: Following the Call of Christ*, presented by Fr. Robert Barron.
      - a. Tuesday mornings at 8:30 am beginning March 7<sup>th</sup> in the hall.
      - b. Sunday mornings beginning March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the hall.
    - viii. [Discover the Secret](#):
      - a. Thursdays March 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> and Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm in the Parish Hall.



- b. Each evening there will be a presentation and discussion on the key to the secrets of life.
- c. Babysitting will be provided so that younger families can attend.
- ix. Communal Reconciliation will be Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, from 5 to 8 pm.
- D. Good Bragging –
  - i. The goal is to highlight what has been a result of donations of time talent and treasure for each ministry in our parish.
  - ii. “Our Shining Moments” could be another name for this program.
- E. Thank You Board –
  - i. Usage exceeded expectations.
  - ii. It would be helpful to have a poster in the St. Joseph Room reminding us which color of post it notes to use each week.
  - iii. Weekly color rotation each month: yellow, pink, blue, peach.
  - iv. Oldest tags come down each week on Sunday after 11:00 am Mass.
- F. Stewardship Survey and Subcommittee –
  - i. Jon Axe, Terri Zunis, and Mark Manning had a meeting.
    - a. The booklet used last time was reviewed and discussed.
    - b. The subcommittee is concerned regarding how long it takes us to do manual surveys. Using smart phones and Flocknotes could make this go a lot faster (see <http://flocknote.com/> and also <http://help.flocknote.com/> ). Follow up from heads of ministries needs to happen within 7 days before potential ministry members get discouraged.
  - ii. We have over 1000 families in our Parish, but usually only about 300 donation envelopes per week end up in the collection basket.
- G. Parish Goal subcommittee – nothing to report yet.
- H. Other –
  - i. Sister Kathleen is moving on to a new ministry. Parish Council will host a social to thank her for her years of service to our parish after the 11:00 am Mass on February 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Great Catholic Parishes book. For next time, read part II (pages 55 to 97).
  - iii. During our Retreat, we ran out of time before we addressed “Faith in God through the Eucharist, Sacraments, Formation, and Community”.
    - a. We can still address this topic in a future Parish Council meeting.
    - b. What are we most grateful for in looking back upon the past 10 years of our parish?
    - c. What are our hopes and dreams for our parish in the next 10 years?

#### IV. Committee Reports

- A. Finance (Fr. John) – Meeting next month.
- B. Building (Fr. John) – Nothing to report.
- C. Welcoming (Danielle Scheetz) – Next Welcoming Weekend is April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.



- D. Pre-Cana (Jon Axe) - Nothing to report.
- E. Greater Grafton Partnership (Terri Zunis) –
  - i. GGP is working diligently on the Old-Fashioned Christmas for 2017.
  - ii. Terri e-mailed Joe Filipiak regarding the OLQP Youth doing a Live Nativity. She is waiting for his reply.
  - iii. OLQP needs to decide if we want to be a part of OFC in any way other than the Nativity. If so, we need to let the committee know.
  - iv. GGP is hoping that when it's necessary they will be able to promote OFC in the OLQP bulletin.
  - v. GGP's next meeting is scheduled for February 1, and they are having a speaker.
- F. Youth (Julie Gale) –
  - i. The Youth Group had a great turnout of kids for tobogganing in January.
  - ii. The next event has not been determined yet.
- G. Festival (Julie Gauvreau) –
  - i. Committee Reports
    - i. Food – Jim
      - 1. Contracts were mailed on 2/2/2017 to the following
      - 2. Wright's – confirmed
      - 3. Royal E – confirmed
      - 4. Hershey – confirmed
      - 5. Paula's – not confirmed
      - 6. Pizza 800° - not confirmed
      - 7. Taco Mike – confirmed
      - 8. Cofield's Corner - confirmed
    - ii. Non-Food Vendors – Marilyn
      - 1. New contract sent to Marilyn
      - 2. Need to send to the School Booster Clubs to get them here to sell spirit wear.
    - iii. Fireworks – Joanie
      - 1. Down payment made.
      - 2. Contract signed.
    - iv. Amusements – Joanie
      - 1. Joanie was in contact with Scott.
      - 2. We are booked.
    - v. Kids Games – Sue
      - 1. Face Painting – Nothing to report
      - 2. Putt-Putt – Nothing to report
      - 3. Games – Pat Murray had some additional ideas for games that she passed around.
    - vi. Car Show – Mike & Lynn
      - 1. Friday night



- vii. Chinese Auction – Pat
  - 1. Big question is, where will we place it?
  - 2. We will decide at the March 8th meeting.
- viii. Bingo – Jason & Rick
  - 1. Traditional
  - 2. Sell popcorn and pop
  - 3. Instants
- ix. Gambling – Jim
  - 1. We are moving the gaming tables into the carpeted room in the hall.
  - 2. The wheel will be in the beer garden. We will decide on additional wheels at a later date.
- x. Beer Garden – Nancy
  - 1. We will be purchasing all product from Heidelberg.
- xi. Entertainment
  - 1. Daily
    - a. Where is Waldo Trivia
      - i. A question is asked over the PA system (adult or kid) and you must find Waldo and give him the answer.
      - ii. First one to Waldo with the correct answer wins. Prize is Adults – Buy xxxx Chinese Raffle tickets and get xxxx free. Prize for kids – Get two free kids games with the purchase of two.
    - b. Can we get a celeb here to sign autographs or look into getting a Mascot here? Sarah was going to check about Ketchup, Mustard and Onion from the Indians if they are not playing one of the three days.
    - c. Ask Troy about the Christian Athlete Association.
  - 2. Thursday
    - a. Jacob Frisch in Beer Garden – 7 – 10pm
    - b. Metro Parks in Main Tent – 7:00pm
    - c. Magician in Main Tent – 7:30pm
    - d. Matt Harkin Balloons – 8:00pm
    - e. Bike Rodeo – Move to Saturday night at 7:30??
  - 3. Friday
    - a. DJ - \$350
  - 4. Saturday
    - a. DJ - \$350
    - b. Fireworks
  - 5. Discussion – What else can we do???



xii. Advertising

1. Placemats at Michelle's Café
2. Need an ad executive
  - a. Should start looking by placing in article in the bulletin.
  - b. Ask Jeanine if she would like to do this.
  - c. Make sure we call Erin Matheson to get us the yard signs.
3. Free radio & TV
  - a. WEOH
  - b. GLW Broadband
  - c. 99.5 WGAR
  - d. WOBL

xiii. Sponsors – Sarah

xiv. 5K – Julie

1. Forms are almost ready
2. Checking into an online solution
3. Jim to check with e-catholic on their offering

xv. Main Tent - Linda

xvi. Misc.

1. Volunteer raffle for the adults and the kids. If you show up for your allotted time you will receive a raffle ticket that will be for a drawing at the end of the festival. Sarah will get the baskets for this
2. Need to get next year's confirmation class involved.
3. For Saturday, we could do a Fire, Safety and Fireworks night. This would go well with the Bike Rodeo for Safety as the bikes are inspected. We could also ask the police, fire, ems, Sheriff to bring a vehicle and maybe a K-9 unit for the evening stressing Fire and Safety. And conclude with the fireworks.
4. For Friday entertainment, ask the karate school to come and give a demo or the dance corp. We would rope off an area by the main tent for them to perform and then remove the ropes afterward. With the entertainment tent being smaller we could probably setup behind it.

ii. Next meeting – March 8th at 7pm

H. Parish Organizations

- iv. Holy Name (Dan White) – The Holy Name Society is sponsoring an evening of bowling at the Grafton Bowling Center, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Sign up after Mass in the Gathering Area or call Bill Slisko (440-355-4138).
- v. Knights of Columbus (Mark Manning) – Nothing to report.
- vi. Prayer Shawl (Bernadette Gross) - Nothing to report.



- vii. Comfort Caps (Vicki Simkovich) –
    - a. The next scheduled sewing dates for Comfort Caps will be Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2-8 pm and Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm in the Parish Hall (carpeted room).
    - b. Additional details will be included in the OLQP bulletin.
  - viii. Ladies Guild (Annette Linden) –
    - a. Saturday is the Spaghetti Dinner at 5 pm.
    - b. Rummage Sale is April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Drop off is April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12 noon to 4 pm in the Parish Hall.
  - ix. Parish Nurse (Bernadette Gross) –
    - a. Blood Screening February 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am Mass.
    - b. CPR/AED training class on February 11<sup>th</sup> is already full.
  - x. Helping Hands (Don Carmichael) – The next community meal is February 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall.
- III. Pastor's Address – Presented above in the section on Lent.
- IV. Items for March Agenda – Next Faith Sharing leader will be Julie Gale.
- V. Closing Prayer – 8:30 pm.

Jim Jaskowiak, Secretary