

## Parish Council Agenda for August 22, 2019 - 7:00PM

### Opening Reflections:

- Where have I experienced Christ / seen the face of Christ this past month?
- Where have I witnessed our parish / our parishioners being a radiant light and / or a bold witness?

### Review and Approve June Minutes - approved

**Attendance:** Sandy (& Howard) Hoffmann, Mary Ann Schulte, Carol Mason, Karen Karr, Judy Peckham, Carl Cooper, Dick Roseland, Becky McDonnell, Fr. Chuck Barthel, Alex Norrenberns, Rob Telthorst, Ed Lewandowski, Steve Rotherme, Deacon Randy Howe

### Absent:

### Commission Reports:

#### **Admin/Finance:** Carl Cooper

- Offertory below budget at this time
- Church doors are postponed
- Rectory AC replaced
- Trees that were diseased removed
- Storage in the parish hall being built
- Annex lower level (youth room) water issue being addressed – water is leaking through the foundation.
- Football tickets are being sold. We have 50 sold. We need to sell 200. Add to announcements during weekend masses with brief explanation.

#### **Athletics:** Judy Peckham

- Pending concession stand and tractor sale
  - The concession stand and trailer are off property
  - Tractor needs a new home. 20+ years old but not much wear on engine.
- Assumption team numbers are up

#### **Christian Formation:** Karen Karr

- Status on names and emails for committee heads – this is for the invitation for the Stewardship
  - Possibility of recording the presentation and posting
  - Many are invited
  - Needs to be in Sign-up Genius
  - In the parish hall but location will depend on how many RSVP
- **Live at Mary Mother...It's Saturday Night!**
  - August 24 - Fr. Paul Hoelsing (Dean of Students and Dean of Formation at the Seminary)
  - October 26 - Fr. Chuck Barthel will be "walking us through the Mass"
- **Pro-Life Committee**
  - Meetings will resume in September after a summer break.
  - Pro-Life Convention Sunday, October 13, 2019. The featured speaker is Abby Johnson. MMOC has a table for 10.
  - Life Chain is Sunday, October 6.

- **Stewardship**
  - Parish Ministry Leader Meeting is scheduled Saturday, September 21. Fr. Chuck will be sending out an email invitation.
  - Stewardship Awareness Sunday will be September 21 & 22.
  - Spiritual Gifts Inventory is a two-evening program. It is scheduled for Tuesdays, October 15 & 22. Jane Guenter of the Archdiocese is conducting meeting.
  - Festival of ministries – focus on gratitude. No date on calendar.

**Christian Service:** Rob Telthorst

- Does SVDP have open enrollment?
  - Protecting God's Children needs to be taken for this
  - St Louis will host the SVDP convention in 2020
- Bridge Bread figures are between \$668-\$2,150
  - Down over the summer because of vacations and other events
- Provided vouchers to 3 families for clothing, furniture, beds, bedding, and housewares.

**Evangelization:** Steve Rothermel

- New ideas on the horizon?
- Checking into free advertising on Joy FM
- New parishioner events: dinner or meet and greet. Fr. Chuck will give new parishioners a tour. Meet with Fr. to work out details.
- Promote ACTS. Possible of inviting St. Bernadette since they do not have an ACTS retreat opportunity in their parish

**Health:** Mary Ann Schulte

- **GriefShare** group begins Mon, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Same facilitators and program as last time. People from outside the parish are welcome to attend. Michelle has brochures to pass out. If you would like one please contact her.
- **Blood Drive** is Tuesday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>
- **Walgreens Flu Vaccine clinic** is being planned for Sunday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> It's a little later than usual but this later date will help ensure that all supplies will be there when needed.
- **Good Samaritan Driver report:** One person used this report in the past month.
- **Surviving Divorce group** begins Thurs, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Open to everyone who has had a divorce even outside of Mary Mother.
- AED for annex was approved.
- Breast Cancer month is October. Possible events

**Liturgy:** Carol Mason

- Team to plan October liturgy needed
- Lectors needed. Reach out to PSR for students who might want to do this
- Eucharistic Adoration people needed.
- Fall Ministry Workshop moved to November
- Eucharistic ministers needed to go the homebound
- Petition writers needed after November
- Possible 2 evenings for Stations of the Cross in 2020
- Looking for a new person to chair this liturgy team

**Social:** Becky McDonnell

- Status on Fish Fry lead for #3 and/or #4 was not addressed
- Quilters every Tuesday at 9AM.

- Bridge Bread – September 7-8 at all Masses
- Sensational Seniors – September 26 bus tour of Historic St. Genevieve. 9AM-4PM \$77 per person.
- Pasta dinners
- Living Rosary – Oct. 21 and 23 (Reach out to the men's prayer group)
- Progressive dinner – January or February.

**Youth:** Alex Norrenberns

- Update on Youth attending Steubenville – 19 attended
- Prayer Group Every Wednesday Night in Youth Room 8 to 9 pm
- Sun, Sept 8 – Spiritual Night 7 to 9 – possible Vocation night. – reaching out to other parish youth ministers to see if they would like to participate in this event with us. After checking with them we will determine if we do it Sept or Oct
- Sun, Sept 28 – Service project We are penciled in for Saturday, Sept 28 at St. Vincent De Paul Church – to feed the homeless.
- Sock and Hat Drive soon. It can begin in August and run into September.

**Pastor: Fr. Chuck**

- Please give Fr. a specific date and time if you need something from him.
- Update on Golden Jubilee meetings
  - Last meeting was July.
  - Still working on it
- Updates from Parish Conversations with Fr. Chuck
  - Questions from the meeting given to each member
    - Sister Parish idea
    - Provide some feedback by November if your commission had questions come up in the meeting as well as the council questions
- If you have an event, change the look of the room with the non-fluorescent lighting in the parish hall.
- Some supplies for different groups will be moved around with the addition of the new shelving units.
- Protecting God's children is not only about kids but about taking care of all people including vulnerable adults.
- Msgr. Ed Reilly Scholarship: there might be two years left in the fund. (Scholarship for parishioners attending Catholic high school for incoming freshmen.) Do we let it fade or look to generate more funds? Memorial gift program.
- "Letter to a Suffering Church" will be mailed to everyone's home. How to stay a part of the Church when you see sin.
  - 2, one session events about the book
  - In September
  - Fr. Chuck will be the facilitator
- Review the by-laws (Ed Lewandowski)
  - Fred will help to revise the by-laws
  - He is currently compiling the questions from council members about the current by-laws

**Vice Chair:** (Open)

- Looking to the parish to fill this opening

**Chair: Dick Roseland**

- Suggestion for a Newcomer's Dinner from Elaine Lydon.
  - Could the progressive dinner and a new parishioners dinner be blended
  - Look for more people to be on the committee

- Free coupon for the pasta dinner for new parishioners
- Update on filling the open Vice Chair position
  - This will be filled by a new council member
- Idea: Hayride and Bonfire at MMOC fields this fall in collaboration with Assumption Athletics – Assumption isn't interested.
- Trunk or Treat – put some feelers out to get help organizing.
- Reports from efforts to invite people to join your commission
  - The Spiritual gift inventory will help answer this question
  - Lack of knowledge about what is being asked when volunteering is an issue especially the amount of time different groups require.
- Confirm all Council Members are up to speed with Flock Notes, Sign-up Genius, Office Procedures and Update Article expectations
- Verify the Parish Council Roster information is accurate (sent out with Agenda)
- If you cannot attend a PC meeting, please assign someone from your group
- November PC meeting will be the week before Thanksgiving. No meeting in December.
- Christmas party at Dick's house. Date TBA

**What's the Buzz???**

- About 115 students in PSR
- Rock Church food drive collection this weekend
- Where is people getting their parish news?
- Do we need to looking at having a more social media presence? Include this in PSR opening meeting.

**August Closing Prayer: Carol Mason**

**Snacks: Mary Ann Schulte**

**Next Meeting: September 26, 2019 - 7:00 PM**

**September Closing Prayer:**

**Steve**

**Snacks: Rob**

**October Closing Prayer:**

**Mary Ann**

**Snacks: Becky**

**Reminders:**

**Addendum:**