

## ***St. Clare of Assisi Men's Club Meeting Minutes: March 5, 2018***

In Attendance: 4 Officers; 2 Priest; and 32 Members.

Meeting came to order at 7:47 p.m. President Croghan led the Club in an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Members: Patrick Horan joined the Men' Club following the meeting.

February meeting minutes were read by Mr. Secretary. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Bill Cannon, seconded by Bob Hartman and the motion carried over Barry's objection.

A reading of the Treasurer's report by Treasurer Guntli followed. Balance provided. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Bill Cannon, seconded by Curt Meyer. The motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

**By-Laws:** Thanks to Curt we continue to be a rogue organization without a set of formal By=Laws to guide us.

**RCIA Luncheon & Luke 18 Retreat:** These events were February 10 and 17. Paul informed we had a lot of volunteers and the events went well. A round of applause was given to acknowledge the volunteers and cooking crew.

**Callahan's 60<sup>th</sup> B-Day Party:** A donation of \$350 was recommended by the Appropriation's Committee. The membership then voted unanimously to approve the donation for the March 18 party with the parish.

**2018 Golf Tournament:** Event is May 19 at Aberdeen. We need golfers, sponsors, etc.. 60+ days away. A sell out would be 36 foursomes.

**Rummage Sale:** Event is June 9<sup>th</sup> and helpers are needed to cook.

**Feast Day:** Event is at the end of August. A dunk tank was again discussed. The Real MC ND Father Hecktor appear to be on board with climbing in to let parishioners try to dunk them. A line for the first throws has started to form on the south side of Dollard Hall. Cost would be a range of \$200-\$275 for 6 hours. Bill Cannon offered to wear a Speedo and take a turn in the dunk tank. This was rejected by the membership swiftly.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**40 Days for Life:** Bill Durbin discussed the event. Our parish is praying to end abortion on March 7 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Please join us at 4251 Forest Park Parkway. The Secretary is to send out a reminder to all.

### **Open Mic:**

**Playground donation:** VP Hoffman discussed the plans of the Parish/PTO to raise money to install a new playground and protective ground covering under the playground. The prospect of Men's Club agreeing to donate a certain amount (\$1000) annually to go towards funding the playground was discussed. This would essentially be earmarking a certain portion of our annual donation to go towards the playground. The need for this playground was discussed.

**Men's Club Conducting a Basketball Tourney Fundraiser:** Secretary Engelbart discussed a possible fundraiser for next January 2019 or maybe March 2019, wherein we'd host and run a 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls and boys basketball tournament. Other parishes in South County and St. Charles County are doing this with much success. Monsignor Callahan thought this might be the turf of the "Athletic Association." The Men's Club, through Josh, will explore this idea with Nate Bisch (director) and Jeff Waitkus (basketball coordinator) to see if the Men's Club could run such an event and possibly "donate" a certain amount or set percentage of the proceeds to the Parish Athletic Association. Admission fees, teams fees, concessions would be the fund generator.

**Miscellaneous Announcements:**

Four thank you notes were read by VP Hoffman.

Clean up after meeting.

Take PGC class.

Monthly raffle was held, but Secretary Engelbart failed to record the winners, however the 50/50 winner had not paid dues for 2018 but refused to have \$20 withheld to pay the outstanding dues owed. Booooooooo!

Next Meeting April 2 @ 7:30 p.m. Come watch the Championship Game for the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. Your brackets are no doubt busted, so come play the Squares Game!

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

God Bless this Men's Club,

Josh Engelbart, Secretary, St. Clare of Assisi Men's Club