

St. Rose of Lima Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2016 7:00PM

Council Members Present: Msgr. Michael Reed, Deacon Chris Christopher, Bill Gibson, Noelle Bradberry, Audrey Gibson, Joe Courey, Chris Gay, Kate Lewis, Donna Arndt, Pete Fierro, Ron Wark, and Gene Skalsky

Guests Present: Martha Skalsky and Richard Collins

Msgr. Reed opened the meeting in prayer.

Minutes:

- With no changes or additions to the November meeting minutes, Joe Courey motioned to approve the meeting minutes as is. Ron Wark seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Parish Business:

- Msgr. Reed welcomed the new Pastoral Council members: Donna Arndt, Pete Fierro, Ron Wark, and Gene Skalsky. Gene Skalsky was appointed to the Pastoral Council by Msgr. Reed prior to the monthly meeting. Steve Rhodes was also re-elected to the Council.
- Per the Parish Pastoral Council Constitution, the Council is to nominate a Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary. Nominations held produced the following results: Chair – Steve Rhodes, Vice Chair – Joe Courey, Kate Lewis, Vic Vangrowski, and Noelle Bradberry, Secretary – Vic Vangrowski and Noelle Bradberry. All nominations were tallied by the outgoing chair, Bill Gibson, and Msgr. Reed. Voting and elections will take place at the March meeting and new officers will be produced. Those nominated have the ability to accept or decline their nomination. Following the nominations, Msgr. Reed encouraged the Council to review the current Bylaws for any changes that need to be made.
- Kate Lewis reminded everyone of the new My Parish app and encouraged everyone to download it. The app allows those who access it to view meeting minutes, calendar updates, Mass schedules, and other events.
- The December 6th Parish Christmas festival had roughly 500 in attendance and was a success. Kate Lewis will contact Dennis Flores to have The Nativity props properly stored.
- Audrey Gibson announced that planning of the Fall Festival is in the preliminary stages of planning. The festival committee is seeking \$12,000 in order to clean and update the festival grounds. Audrey would like to hold a “Barn Raising” on a day in which parishioners will gather together on the festival grounds to facilitate and participate in construction projects to prepare the grounds for the 2016 festival. The projects will be scheduled for April 2nd.

Parish Building Projects:

- Msgr. Reed announced that the Parish has approved the building of the covered walkway. Reviews and recommendations for proposals have been made by Mr. Danny Grundhoefer. Donna Arndt expressed her concern over possible traffic backup. Msgr. Reed assured that traffic will be free flowing. As construction is said to take a month, parishioners will need to enter the church from the side of the building. The Council would like to see the project started after Easter towards the middle of April.
- The first floor of the education building is still seeing leaks while it rains following building renovations. The hallway is brighter and painting of the south wall will take place once the leaks are fixed.
- Bill Gibson noted that Concrete Cowboys are awaiting notice to begin the curb removal on Park Street. The cost is estimated at \$1500. Joe Courey and Bill Gibson will follow up with Concrete Cowboys on the estimated quote before moving forward.
- Msgr. Reed stated that fencing around the playground is to be replaced in addition to installing fencing around the air conditioning units.
- Installation of the Parish Hall heat pump and air conditioner has left dirt and dust in the vents. Martha Skalsky noted that dirt and dust continues to blow into the hall when in use and is in need of being cleaned. Sludge and muck remains underneath the air conditioning unit as well.

Parish Events:

- Msgr. Reed announced that the Great Bible Adventure has 250 registrants. This series has been featured in the Catholic Compass and is going well.
- Charitable Outreach: Kate Lewis explained that religious education children, Lifeteen, and Edge students prepared Christmas baskets and delivered them to nursing homes in the area.
- The Youth Rummage Sale will take place on January 22nd and 23rd. All money earned will go towards offsetting the registration cost of the Steubenville Conference in Atlanta over the summer for the youth.
- The Diocesan Youth Conference will take place January 29th-31st. Thirty-six youth from the Parish will be attending and will make the second largest group in the Diocese to attend.
- Msgr. Reed stated that Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday on February 10th. Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at noon following the 11AM Mass at Whiting Field, and at 7PM. Fish Fry's will take place in the Parish Hall prior to Stations of the Cross.
- Confirmation at St. Rose will take place on February 20th with Bishop Parkes at the 4pm Mass.
- The Year of Mercy Pilgrimage is scheduled to take place on May 14th. The Pilgrimage will begin at St. Rose of Lima and will continue onto St. Michael's in Pensacola. There will be a presentation on the Year of Mercy and Indulgences at St. Rose of Lima followed by a tour of St. Michael's with a brief overview of its history. The Holy Door of Mercy will be available for viewing at St. Michael's following the Pilgrimage.

- The next Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 9th at 7PM.

Msgr. Reed closed the meeting in prayer.

Submitted for approval by: Noelle Bradberry, Secretary