

St. Rose of Lima Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2016 6:00PM

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

Guests Present: Martha Skalsky, Richard Collins, and Marie Woods.

Minutes:

- With no changes or additions to the April meeting minutes, Kate Lewis motioned to approve the meeting minutes as is. Audrey Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Finance:

- Dawn Gagnon explained that offertory giving is doing very well as we have seen an increase of \$45,269.75 which is over budget.
- With 276 families having participated thus far, the total amount received for the Catholic Sharing Appeal reflects an amount of \$61,832.03. The Parish goal stands at \$71,504.97.
- Dawn Gagnon reported that the Finance Council is in the process of working on the yearly budgets. Monsignor Reed will collect the budgets on July 1st.

Parish Business:

Old Business:

- Kate Lewis has taken on the role of monitoring the Pastoral Council Constitution Review. The committee will review the current Council Constitution and will create a list of proposed changes and updates. The committee will announce all proposed changes in August and the council will vote on them in September. Committee members include Joe Courey, Pete Fierro, and Ron Wark.
- Msgr. Reed discussed the new proposed walk-way and announced that construction is scheduled to begin on May 20th and will conclude by October 5th. The cost of the new walkway will cost three thousand dollars less than the original quote of \$191,736.00. During construction, the south entrance will not be available. All parishioners must enter on west side. Concrete cowboys will fix the curbs by the 16th of May. Richard Collins expressed concerns for lighting on the west side of the church as that entrance is not used as frequently.
- Sherry Rhodes contacted Jesse Rheam who is scheduled to resolve the leaks and completed the painting for the education building.
- Steve Rhodes reported that the fencing around the playground and air conditioning units is new fencing.
- It was stated that Mr. Danny Grundhoefer is looking into options for renovating the cry room in the church. Possible basic cosmetic changes. Kate Lewis noted that some people had complained about the air being hot and Dennis Flores has since changed

the air filter for the cry room. Dennis Flores will be asked to look into the left over tiles from the second floor of the education building to put into the cry room.

- It was noted that George Elliot is to oversee the lectors and EM's in addition to the Ushers. Steve Rhodes will ask Karen Bradberry to look into possible days for a training for both lectors and EM's in regards to serving communion to those in the back of the church so that processes flow smoothly. Would like to see more coordination. Msgr. Reed and Steve Rhodes will look into the training and will coordinate with Ministers.
- Kate Lewis stated that she had received a response from 7-8 families in regards to a children's choir. Kate, Music Director Colin Smith, and Msgr. Reed will meet with parents for an info and discussion session on the choir. The choir would sing one weekend a month during the 11AM Mass.
- Gene Skalsky provided and discussed information on purchasing a New Fridge and Freezer for the Parish Hall. Background information on Kesco and Florida Air were given along with an itemized list as to what it would take to replace the old walk-in freezer with a new walk-in freezer. Gene Skalsky explained that the prices quoted from Florida Air were only guaranteed for 30 days. The company is suggesting repairs with a new freezer not necessary. Florida Air quoted an estimated total of 12k for repairs. Joe Courey inquired about an old bid to replace the freezer from last year for an estimated cost of 18k. Steve Rhodes asked Gene Skalsky to go back to Kesco to obtain a quote on a brand new walk-in freezer. Msgr. Reed and Pete Fierro offered to seek a quote from Kesco. Steve Rhodes would like to review a quote from A-Bear as well. Kate Lewis motioned to gather quotes from the Kesco and A-Bear companies prior to making a decision on whether to replace or repair the current walk-in freezer. Joe Courey seconded the motion. Steve Rhodes suggested that voting on the freezer can be conducted via e-mail once quotes are collected and sent to the Council for review. All were in agreement.

New Business:

- Msgr. Reed announced that Fr. Schamber has become the new Administrator of Francis of Assisi and Holy Cross Parishes in Chattahoochee. After a year he will be able to decide if he wants to become the Pastor of the Parishes. Msgr. Reed also introduced Fr. Hank Leech and explained that he is returning to the ministry. Fr. Leech will spend at least three months at St. Rose of Lima.
- Steve Rhodes discussed the Pastoral Council meeting frequency. In the past the Council met every month and had July off. This schedule was altered by Msgr. Bosso for the Council to meet at least five times during the year and as needed. Msgr. Reed and Steve Rhodes would like to see the Council continue to meet every month with the exception of June and July as a summer vacation.
- Msgr. Reed expressed his desire to see a welcome center placed in the vestibule before and after every Mass. Parishioners and visitors would be able to ask questions and receive brochures. Fischer Cabinets surveyed the space and discussed creating an L shaped bar that could be wheeled into the corner after Mass. An estimate on the bar has not yet been received.

- Msgr. Reed discussed the need for the small bathroom in the Rectory to be repainted as it is very outdated. It was also noted that the drain in the bathtub was beginning to corrode. Msgr. Reed gave an estimate of \$9,879 for repairs with a 5% discount. The cost would cover the painting, the replacement of the window, vent enlargement, a new sink and mirror, and would provide a walk-in shower. An additional 3% would be taken off the final price if payment were to be given quickly. Monsignor noted that he has personally made small repairs to the Rectory bathroom. Still need finance council approval. Gene Skalsky motioned to support the cost of the renovations to the Rectory bathroom. Donna Arndt seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- Joe Courey discussed a Grounds and Plant Committee and would like to call it a Tech Expert Committee. Members of the committee would be called upon to assist in getting quotes from various companies for the up keep of the Parish Grounds. The committee would be considered more of an advisory council and would not partake in making a final decision. Joe Courey would like to have an ad in the bulletin asking for volunteers. IT was stated that Karen Bradberry can also send out an e-mail requesting volunteers. All information needs to get to Karen by Tuesday to get into the bulletin.
- Kate Lewis explained that she had received 3 negative responses and 1 positive response in regards to proving a homeschool curriculum at the church. Homeschoolers that only pay for their program now would have to pay to attend.

Updates and Activities:

- Msgr. Reed noted that the Great Bible Adventure is almost over.
- 21 people have signed up to attend the Year of Mercy Pilgrimage.
- The Young at Heart Pilgrimage to Savannah, GA has been scheduled for May 16th-20th.
- Vacation Bible School will take place from July 25th through 29th. Please see Kate Lewis for more information.
- In regards to the Catholic Compass, the Parish is required to pay 75% of all registered households which amounts to \$5656. After the recent request for donations to cover the cost, the Parish received a total amount of \$850. This amount covers the cost for 47 families out of the 826 registered families that the Parish pays subscriptions for. Msgr. Reed is encouraging everyone to subscribe to help offset the costs. Envelopes are still sitting in the pews.
- Audrey Gibson stated that the Barn Raising event had a nice turnout. 11.5 booths have been finished however, there are still minor tasks to be completed.
- Monsignor Reed was recognized on his 32rd Anniversary to the Priesthood.
- The next Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for August 9th at 6PM.

Submitted for Approval by Noelle Bradberry - Secretary