

# ST. ROSE OF LIMA PASTORAL COUNCIL

## Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2017 7:00PM

Council Members Present: Msgr. Michael Reed, Fr. Hank Lech, Dcn. Tom Kennell, Sam Bonno, Noelle Strevig, Donna Arndt, Pete Fierro, Melanie Burgess, Audrey Gibson, Kate Lewis, Ron Wark, Ralph Crago, and Dolores Gardner.

Msgr. Reed opened the meeting in prayer.

### Finance:

- Dolores Gardner explained that as of September 12<sup>th</sup>, the Parish Offertory was sitting at a total amount of \$128,944.77. The offertory was up \$6,153 what is normally expected at this time of the year. With the current interest for the general savings account at 4 percent, a large sum will be moved from the offertory to the general savings in order to continue to collect interest. Currently have over 1 million dollars in savings.
- There are current 5 new members to the Finance Council with Dolores Gardner being the liaison for the Pastoral Council.
- The CSA goal for 2017 stands at \$78,876.71. Still in need of collecting \$6,328.56 to meet the goal.

### Elections:

- Dolores Gardner was asked to collect and tally the votes for the council elections.
- Audrey Gibson was nominated for Pastoral Council Secretary. The nomination was accepted. With no other nominations, Audrey Gibson was announced as Pastoral Council Secretary.
- Sam Bonno and Ralph Crago were nominated for Parish Council Vice Chair. Both accepted the nomination. Dolores Gardner announced that Ralph Crago was awarded the Vice Chair position.
- Pete Fierro and Sam Bonno were nominated for the Parish Council Chairman position. Both accepted the nomination. Dolores Gardner announced that Pete Fierro was awarded the Chairman position.

### Parish Business:

- Msgr. Reed noted that we have been dialoging with other parishes to see what parish goals they obtain. The council was asked to read the current parish goals in preparation to discuss at next meeting.
- Serving of Alcoholic Beverages: Msgr. Reed explained that he attended the Milton City Council meeting to get a better understanding of the current alcohol ordinance and was instructed by the City Council lawyer that all must obey the ordinance at this time. The current alcohol ordinance states that alcohol may not be distributed

to others within 500 feet of a place of worship. The city noted that they would be looking into lifting the ordinance for the St. Rose of Lima Parish with hope of it being completed by the end of October 2017.

- Family Promise will be hosting a family the week of September 25<sup>th</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup>. The sponsored family will not be sleeping in the Parish Hall but will continue to receive meals during this time.
- Kate Lewis noted that the hearing aides are being utilized during Masses.
- Facility Updates: It was noted that the flashing around the Parish Hall has been updated and gutters have been added. A proposal for painting the Parish Hall was given and the following was expressed:
  - Accelerated Construction Services, Inc. proposed to “furnish and install all labor and materials necessary to repair defects and paint the entire ceiling around the wooden beams in the hall. They would continue to paint all previously painted surfaces on walls, window frames, door frames, and wood chair rails. All ceilings and walls to be eggshell and finish and trim to be semi-gloss. The project would be completed within 10 days and cleaned up daily.”

Kate Lewis motioned to approve the proposal from Accelerated Construction Services, Inc. by using funds received from the Fall Festival. Audrey Gibson seconded the motion. Msgr. Reed noted that additional proposals will need to be obtained before we moved forward with the painting of the hall. Delores Gardner suggested obtaining at least 3. Audrey and Kate will work on gathering additional proposals.

- Ron Wark explained that the People Mover is working well and being utilized. Designated parking for use of the People Mover needs to be promoted. It was suggested that signs be put up.
- Msgr. Reed continued to discuss how the donated Serenity Gardens Plot will be given away. It was suggested that perhaps Serenity Gardens could sell the plot for us? Discussion to continue at a later date.
- Audrey Gibson explained that the Santa Rosa Press Gazette will be running an ad for the Fall Festival. She is exploring the idea of giving away a prize/gift to the volunteer that volunteers the most hours.

#### Additional Parish Updates:

- A Mass Etiquette video, “What to do during Communion” will be shown in the future before Mass. Delores Gardner asked if any of the videos could be played on the television in the vestibule? Kate Lewis noted that she would look into it.
- The Adult Education Program will be studying the Psalms for the next 10 weeks.
- Melanie Burgess stated that she is working on the Lector schedule for the next several months. Once completed she will forward to Kate Lewis and Delores Gardner.
- Next meeting will take place on November 14th at 7PM.

Msgr. Reed closed the meeting in Prayer.

Minutes approved by the Pastoral Council on: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: Noelle Strevig  
Outgoing Pastoral Council Secretary