



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 5, 2017

Members in Attendance: Father Peter Joyce, George Dudzek, Jodi George, Jacquie Olansen, Marie Zelinski and Bill Zipparo

Opening Prayer: Jodi George

Pastoral Council Facilitator: Bill Zipparo

Approval of Minutes: George Dudzek made a motion to accept the minutes and Jodi George seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

- **Bells:** The bells are in place and are operational. Special thanks to four members of the Parish Council who donated to make the bells a reality as well as to an additional supporter. The steeple and bells are a really nice addition.
- **Sacristy at COTR:** The carpeting in the confessional area has not been installed.
- **Feasibility Update:** Father Pete addressed the Feasibility study at the Masses during the weekend of December 31/January 1. Letters regarding the study will be mailed out on Monday.
- **Parish "Fun" Raising:** There was nothing new to report. There is hope for some activity in the spring.
- **Saint Maximilian Kolbe Statue:** "Action" has not responded to date.
- **Frank Runyeon:** The show was well done. Special thanks to the Ladies' Auxiliary for making this possible. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon.
- **Pew Cushions:** There has been some communication; however, no contracts are in place.
- **Feed the Needy:** On Saturday, December 17, the Knights of Columbus of COTR hosted the annual Feed the Needy project. This project provided food for Christmas dinner to 207 families which included 339 adults. The Knights provided toys/gifts for 317 children. Over 100 parishioners participated in the Feed the Needy drive (This amount is above the KofC participation).
- **Covenant House:** On Christmas Day the Knights of Columbus served a brunch for 25 youth and 6 staff members at Covenant House. The Knights delivered 85 gifts to 41 youth at the Covenant House. Over 75 parish families participated in purchasing the gifts.
- **Saint Casimir Christmas baskets:** Over a three-day period, the Food Pantry/Thrift Shop at St. Casimir provided 157 families with food and toys. The 584 people served included 425 adults and 159 children.

New Business:

- **Parish Mission:** March 1 – April 16 is Lent. Father Pete has requested that we make suggestions for a Parish retreat of 2-3 days and email them to him as well as other members of the Parish Council. It is not necessary that it be a priest or religious as both have led the last two retreats.
- **Open Meeting:** The March 9 meeting will be open to all parishioners.
- **Hospitality Sunday:** Father Pete has asked that we, the Parish Council members, host the Hospitality Sunday on February 5 at the 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 Masses. An email will be sent to all members to sign up for shopping, setup, hosting, and clean up.
- **Feasibility Study results:** At our next meeting, February 9, the results of the Feasibility Study will be presented to Father Pete and the Parish Council.

Action Items:

- **St. Maximilian statute:** Father Peter Joyce
- **Parish "Fun" Raiser:** Jodi George – Fishing; Jacquie Olansen and Marie Zelinski – New York trip; and Trivia Night – Gary Mruz
- **Cushions on Pews:** Gary Mruz
- **Hospitality Sunday:** All
- **Parish Retreat:** All

Closing Prayer: Father Pete

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2017 @ 7p.m. *Feasibility Results*

Prayer: Father Pete

Refreshments: ????