



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday October 13, 2016

Members in Attendance: Father Peter Joyce, Kevin Cantanoso, Jodi George, Gary Mruz, Linda O’Gorman, Jacquie Olansen, Anita McMahon, Marie Zelinski and Bill Zipparo

Opening Prayer: Bill Zipparo

Pastoral Council Facilitator: Bill Zipparo

Approval of Minutes: Bill Zipparo made a motion to accept the minutes and Linda O’Gorman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

New Business:

- **Parish Accounting:** Kevin, Mimi and Barbara were present to lead us through a brief overview of the 7/31/2015 – 6/30/16 Fiscal Parish Accounting spreadsheet. The accounting has continued to move in a positive direction in the past few years. No significant changes were really noticed. There was a short discussion of the descriptions and categories. The increase in the school subsidy was questioned. There is now a straight 13% paid. Kevin also pointed out the Stewardship Report on the reverse side of the spreadsheet and its importance. In conclusion we are in the black \$123K. No Parishioners were present and so the finance committee was dismissed.

Old Business:

- **Retreat** Jackie Olansen arranged a daytime Retreat set for Thursday November 17th at 10am for our elderly parishioners so they will not have to travel at nighttime. Father Idler will discuss the Year of Mercy, indulgences, confessions, benediction and a light lunch will be served. Jack and some of the available choir members will provide music.
- **Steeple** Father Peter Joyce provided an update on the Steeple project. Everything is in place and we are ready for the installation. The steeple will be lifted and placed on Tuesday October 18th at 12noon. Still a few cosmetic issues to take care of with David. Father Peter Joyce is thankful to all the volunteers and their hard work.
- **Feasibility Update** Father Peter Joyce, Ed Burke, Linda O’Gorman and Bill Zapparo spent time interviewing the five prospective RFP’s for 3 to 4 hours each. They were able to narrow it down to two but will not be moving forward at this time. Father Peter Joyce was informed by the CFO that the debt would not be forgiven. At this time a brief discussion of the RFP’s took place.
- **Parish Center:** *The building cost has gone up now from \$1.45m to \$1.52m*
- **Office of Evangelization:** Is scheduled for our next Pastoral Council Meeting on November 10th, Presenter is Deacon Anthony Cioe. The presentation will run approximately 45 minutes.

Action Items:

- **Pastoral Council "Officers"** Facilitator Bill Zipparo, 1 year term, unanimous, Secretary: Jacquie Olansen, 1 year term, unanimous.
- **St. Maximilian statue**, Father Peter Joyce has indicated that there is no news on the progress. He will follow up.
- **Book Club** Father Peter Joyce shared the book "Beautiful Mercy" today with our Parish Book Club as a possible future club read.
- **Ending Year of Mercy Ideas** November 13th-27th. The Covenant House can only accommodate a limited number of parishioners to volunteer and the sleep events are just not large enough to accommodate our parish. As a parish we will continue to see how we can help and support them moving forward.
- **Annual "Fun"raiser** Ideas presented: Charter fishing trip, dance, trivia or a play / bus trip to New York. Jodi will look into the Charter Fishing trip. Jacquie will look into a bus trip / play in New York. Gary will see about a possible trivia night, not likely until after the New Year.

Parishioners Forum: *No participants*

Final Thoughts: Charter boat sounds like fun, happy to be here to take it all in, glad to be back, still want those bells on that steeple, fishing idea cool, disappointed in the decision not to forgive the debt, WWJD, thanks for your support and I will do my best.

Father Peter Joyce led council in the closing prayer.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday November 10th 2016 at 7pm. Guest Speaker from the Office of Evangelization, Deacon Anthony Cioe.

Prayer: Gary

Refreshments: Jacquie

Closing Prayer: Father Pete