



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 10, 2016

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

Opening Prayer: Gary Mruz

Pastoral Council Facilitator: Bill Zipparo

Presentation: Reverend Mr. Anthony Cioe from the Office of Evangelization provided explicit information regarding how to create a culture of evangelization as the central mission connecting all and to incorporate how an event is helping to maximize the faith of our people. He described evangelization as a sharing of our faith as well as inviting others to our faith.

Approval of Minutes: Jacquie Olansen made a motion to accept the minutes and Anita McMahon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Old Business:

- **Year of Mercy Retreat:** Jacquie Olansen stated that the Retreat is set for Thursday, November 17th at 10a.m. Father Idler will discuss the Year of Mercy and Indulgences. Mass, Adoration, Confessions, and Benediction will follow. A light lunch will be served.
- **Bells:** Father Pete stated that \$2000 has been donated for the bells and having them may become a reality. Gary Mruz stated that the Knights of Columbus and Ladies’ Auxiliary may be contributing to the fund. Father is going to get an exact cost for the bells as the speakers and wiring are already in place.
- **Sacristy at COTR:** The carpeting is being removed in the Sacristy and will be replaced with the same tile that is in the church and gathering area.
- **Parish Center:** The building cost has gone up now from \$1.45m to \$1.52m with the entire project estimated at \$2million.
- **Feasibility Update:** Father Pete advised us that Steve Michalek of Ruotolo Associates was re-interviewed for running a feasibility study for the building of a Parish Center. After much discussion regarding the study and the parish center, Jacquie Olansen made a motion to go ahead with the Feasibility Study. George Dudzek seconded the motion. By vote of a roll call, the motion passed unanimously. This study should take approximately 6 – 8 weeks.
- **Book Club:** The book club is going strong. Presently the group is discussing *Little Sins Mean a Lot* and will begin *Infancy Narratives by Pope Benedict* on November 30.
- **Year of Mercy:** The Year of Mercy will end on November 20, The Feast of Christ the King.
- **Parish “Fun” Raising:**
 - **Fishing:** Jodi George has made several calls but has not had any response yet
 - **New York:** Jacquie Olansen stated that a bus to New York would cost approximately \$1200 - \$1500. Father Pete requested more specific information for a bus/Broadway show/dinner?? Marie Zelinski and Jacquie will do additional research.
 - **Trivia Night:** Gary Mruz had nothing to report.

New Business:

- **Thanksgiving Baskets:** The Thanksgiving Baskets will be available for pickup on Monday, November 21, from 1:30 until 5:00 p.m. To date, 80 families have signed up for the baskets. Volunteers assist with assembling the food items starting after the 8:30 Mass.
- **Frank Runyeon:** The Christmas based show will be presented on Sunday, December 11 at 2:00 p.m. The Ladies' Auxiliary is sponsoring this event.
- **Feed the Needy:** On Saturday, December 17, the Knights of Columbus of COTR will host the annual Feed the Needy project. This project provides food for a Christmas dinner as well as some breakfast items. Toys for Tots working with the Knights provides toys for children. Each year approximately 200 families have the meals and toys delivered to their homes.

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
- **Year of Mercy Retreat:** Jacquie Olansen
- **Cushions on Pews:** Gary Mruz

Final Thoughts: Great meeting; enjoyed presentation; 11:00 Mass needs ushers; need cushions on pews

Closing Prayer: Father Pete

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 1, 2016 @ 7p.m. **(NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)**

Prayer: Jacquie Olansen

Refreshments: Marie Zelinski