



## **Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe**

### **Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, April 12, 2018

**Members in Attendance:** Father Peter Joyce, Georgette Costello, George Dudzek, Jodi George, Brenna Laverty, Anita McMahon, Jacquie Olansen, Shannon O'Reilly, Tim O'Shea, Jose Santiago, Marie Zelinski, Bill Zipparo

**Opening Prayer:** Jodi George

**Pastoral Council Facilitator:** Bill Zipparo

**Welcome to our guests:** As this was an open meeting, Bill welcomed all those who attended the Parish Council meeting.

**Saint Casimir Thrift Shop:** Sarah Bartleson, St. Casimir Coordinator for the Thrift Shop and Food Pantry, attended tonight's meeting to discuss the pros and cons of having a Drop Box at COTR for the Thrift Shop. Her recommendation was to limit the items donated and to be specific regarding condition of items. Sarah thought that once a month on a specific date, parishioners could bring items to COTR which would be taken to SC. She stated that furniture, etc. be taken directly to St. Casimir's. Unfortunately, many items donated are trash, which cost \$500 to \$600 monthly to remove. Excessive good items are sent to the AC Rescue Mission.

**Approval of Minutes:** After corrections were made to the minutes, Anita McMahon made a motion to accept the minutes of the March meeting and George Dudzek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Capital Campaign for the Parish/Community Center:** To date, over \$250,000 has been collected for the Center. There have been meetings with the architects and engineers; however, nothing has been finalized.
- **Lighting at Resurrection:** Converting the lighting at COTR to LED is ongoing.
- **Matthew Kelly:** Several pastors of Cape May County met and there was unanimous consent among those present to proceed with submitting an application to Dynamic Catholic requesting Matthew Kelly present to our communities. Once all the pastors have agreed to the proposal, an application will be presented. Using the convention center in Wildwood in 2021 is the proposed scenario for the event. A special thank you to Anita McMahon for all her work to bring this idea to this point in the process.
- **Puerto Rico:** The priest from the church in Puerto Rico is going to Rome; therefore, pursuing this endeavor will be tabled.

#### **New Business:**

- **Lent/Holy Week/Triduum/Easter:** The consensus was that all segments were well attended and that the Mission complimented Lent. Unfortunately, it was noted that due to lack of space, the mission conflicted with the Lenten Soup Dinners. It was also suggested that Tenebrae begin later in the evening so that it would conclude in darkness.
- **Parish Retreat:** The retreat had to be cancelled as the priest was unable to attend.
- **Raffle:** The 50/50 Raffle tickets will be provided to the CCD families next week and to then commencing on Memorial Day weekend at the Church of the Resurrection.
- **Chad Juros:** Chad emailed Jacquie Olansen regarding the possibility of another performance at Bishop McHugh. The consensus was that next January/February timeframe would be best for a Family Fun Night as it requires a lot of planning.
- **Feast Day:** The hope is to celebrate our Feast Day in the Parish/Community Center in 2019. Therefore, the consensus was that we return to the beach this year. Marie Zelinski stated that it was difficult to get the food to and from the beach; however, more help will be requested to ease this problem.

#### Information:

- **Feast Day – August 14**
- **Health Fair (Parish Nurses) – April 15**
- **Confirmation – May 2**
- **First Holy Communion – May 5**
- **May Crowning – May 6 after 9:30 Mass**
- **Hospitality Sunday – May 6**
- **Feast of the Ascension – May 10**
- **Mass of Remembrance – May 14 @ 7 p.m. at COTR**
- **Summer Schedule – May 26/27**  
     **St. Casimir 6 p.m. Saturday; 8:30 a.m. Sunday**  
     **Bishop McHugh 5 p.m. Saturday; 10:00 a.m. Sunday**

**Community comments:** Debbie O'Brien requested that a young men's group for men ages 20 – 25 is needed at our Parish.

**Final Thoughts:** Good insight from Sarah; love the color of the cushions; make Jodi Foster a convert; good discussions; is SC getting cushions; family night a good idea; exercise class went very well; lots of business; good direction for the Feast Day; Anita McMahan's presentation was excellent

#### Action Items

- **Capital Campaign:** All
- **Hispanic Representation:** Jose Santiago

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, May 17, 2018 @ 7p.m. in the Extension

**Prayer:** Jacquie Olansen

**Refreshments:** Marie Zelinski

**Final Prayer:** Father Pete