



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 16, 2015

Members in Attendance: Father Peter Joyce, Marge DeFoney, Craig Jurasinski, Peg Kroeger, Linda O'Gorman, Jacquie Olansen, Annette Sherby, Bill Zipparo

Opening Prayer: Marge DeFoney

Pastoral Council Facilitator: Bill Zipparo

Approval of Minutes: Marge DeFoney made a motion to accept the minutes of the June meeting and Annette Sherby seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Old Business:

33 Days to Glory and Marian Consecration: One hundred ninety (190) parishioners signed up for the "33 Days of Glory Retreat," which began on Monday, July 13 and will conclude during the Parish Feast Day, August 14. This is a wonderful turnout.

50/50 Raffle: There are approximately 970 packets out at the present time with the average return rate of \$105 per packet. Should this continue, we will be very close to our goal of \$100,000.

Youth Representative: Although some individuals were recommended, no one has been chosen.

Hospitality Sunday: Hospitality Sunday was available after all three Masses on Sunday, July 5. St. Vincent dePaul Society hosted the day. All were pleased that all Sunday morning Masses were able to partake of Hospitality Sunday. It was further suggested that "cheese, crackers, and wine" be provided after the 4:00 o'clock Mass on Saturdays. Hospitality Sundays are subsidized by the Parish.

Parish Feast: Everything is in place for the Feast Day. It will begin with Mass at 5:00p.m., at COTR followed by the Marian Consecration at 5:45. Dinner will be provided from 6:00 until 7:00p.m., with the 50/50 Raffle drawing taking place at 7:00p.m. During the hours from 6:00 until 8:00 entertainment will be provided. There will be activities in the "Pit" for the children such as bouncy houses, rock climbing, etc. At 8:00p.m., a movie will be shown on the lawn next to the pavilion. Parishioners will be asked to bring beach chairs for seating. Desserts and drinks will be available in the pavilion. Other games and activities will be finalized by the social committee at upcoming meetings. There was discussion about the possibility of spraying for mosquitoes the day of the event. Father Pete will look into that.

Vacation Bible School: So far only 50 children have signed up for VBS. However, there are usually a large number of registrants on the first day of VBS.

New Business:

Parish Council Transition: At the August meeting, three of our Council Members (Peg Kroeger, Craig Jurasinski, and Bill Zipparo) will transition off the Council. This will finalize the process of three members off and three new members joining the Council. It should be noted that any member who transitions off has the ability to re-apply for membership as well as any other Parishioner. At the open meeting in September, those wishing to be an active participant of the Council will be "interviewed" by the Council.

Capital Improvements: At present, the main areas to be improved are the roof on St. Joe's and the air conditioning at COTR. There was discussion regarding air conditioning for the classrooms. The light by the monument near the entrance to the parking lot at COTR will be repaired soon.

House of Charity: We are presently at approximately 88%, which is about where we were last year. Our goal is \$97,000.

Papal Bus Trip: There was discussion regarding the possibility of a bus to see the Pope. There are only a limited number of buses allowed to Philadelphia during the Pope's visit. More information will be provided as it comes available. There was, however, additional discussion regarding viewing the Papal Mass on a large screen in the pavilion.

Bishop McHugh: The school definitely has one more year of operation, the 2015/2016 school year.

Final Thoughts: Thank you for your prayers, excited about the "33 Days of Glory", please be the eyes and ears for Father Pete.

Action Items:

Casino companies: Craig Jurasinski

Youth Representative: Father Pete

Parish Mission: Father Pete and Linda O'Gorman

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, August 20, 2015 @ 7:00p.m. in Rectory (Note that this is the 3rd Thursday)

Opening Prayer: Jacquie Olansen

Refreshments: Marge DeFoney

Closing Prayer: Father Pete