



## **Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe**

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

**Members in Attendance:** Father Peter Joyce, Marge DeFoney, Craig Jurasinski, Peg Kroeger, Anita McMahon, Linda O'Gorman, Jacquie Olansen, Annette Shrerby, Bill Zipparro

**Opening Prayer:** Annette Sherby

**Pastoral Council Leader:** Bill Zipparro

Bill opened the meeting welcoming the new members to the Parish Council -- Anita McMahon and Linda O'Gorman.

**Approval of Minutes:** Annette Sherby made a motion to accept the minutes of the October meeting and Linda O'Gorman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### **Old Business:**

*Parish Pavilion:* The first Hospitality Sunday was well attended. Everyone was pleased with the gathering of our parish community. Heating the pavilion is being researched. Electric, gas and propane are being discussed.

*Fundraising:* Craig Jurasinski provided the Council with specific information on holding a Casino Party Night. There was much discussion with Anita McMahon providing information on the manner in which Bishop McHugh School holds their fundraiser. Use of the school, the Seaville Fire House, and the Ocean View Fire House were suggested as possibilities of places to hold the event. As Bishop McHugh holds their casino night on February 21, we would consider the possibility of mid April 2015.

*Gift cards:* No progress has been made on the use of the "square" for purchasing gift cards.

### **New Business:**

*Parish Mission:* A discussion of having a Parish Mission during Lent with the Liturgy Committee heading same was received with enthusiasm. Such a Mission is similar to a mini retreat, usually lasting three days. Each day has various segments including Mass, a talk, private prayer, social time, confession, etc. Anita will research the Dominican Retreat House, Marge will do research into various spiritual themes, and Father Pete will discuss this with the Liturgy Committee at their meeting in December.

*Bingo:* Having bingo as a fun night in the pavilion was discussed. This type of bingo would not be a fund raiser but rather just a fun/social night. Suggestions included holding bingo on a week night (once there is significant heat in the pavilion).

*Youth Representative:* As a high school senior has not been identified, Father Pete will now look for a junior to be a member of the council for the remainder of this year and all of next year.

*Annual Bonfire:* Father Pete provided us with a handout for the Annual Bonfire Event to be held on Sunday, December 14th after the 5:00 Youth Mass. The event is well planned and was very well received last year.

*Ski Event:* The Youth Ministry is planning a ski event in January. Details are not yet finalized

*Pope coming to Philadelphia:* There was discussion regarding the possibility of going to Philadelphia when the Pope is here or at least having a gathering at the pavilion with a large screen so that we may join together to attend the Pope's Mass or other activities.

**Final Thoughts:** Great, appreciate briefness of meeting, lot to take in

**Action Items:**

Small Christian Communities: Father Pete and Marge DeFoney

Lights by granite sign at COTR: Father Pete

Casino Party Night Fundraising: Father Pete, Craig Jurasinski, Peg Kroeger, Anita McMahon

Gift cards/"square": Jacquie Olansen

Parish Mission: Father Pete, Marge DeFoney, Anita McMahon

Youth Representative: Father Pete

**Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2014\*\* January 22, 2015\*\***

**\*\* Note change of date**

**Opening Prayer:** Anita McMahon

**Refreshments:** Marge DeFoney

**Closing Prayer:** Father Pete