



## Parish of Kolbe Saint Maximilian

### Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 7, 2013

Resurrection Rectory Dining Room, 7:00 p.m.

**Members in Attendance:** Monsignor Peter Joyce, Carol Ann Allen, George Dudzek, Craig Jurasinski, Leah Kornberg, Peg Kroeger, Jacquie Olansen, Ellen Pfeifle, Annette Sherby, Bill Zipparo

**Opening Prayer :** Jacquie Olansen

**Parish Council Leader:** George Dudzek

The agenda for the meeting was given to all members. Each had received by email a copy of the minutes.

The minutes for the January meeting were approved.

#### **Old Business:**

**Parish Center:** Father Pete stated that there would have to be water run from Ralph's to the new building as there is the need for fire suppressant due to the size of the proposed building. However, no figures were available for the cost at this time.

**Diocesan Pastoral Priorities:** Much discussion followed the need for a focus point within our choice of Pastoral Priority of Youth and Young Adults. Jacquie suggested that we help our youth to do compassionate outreach for the less fortunate of our community. It was stated that confirmation students need to do projects; there is Teen Mercy at Bishop McHugh; and Bill stated that students in his school do a tremendous amount to aid others. It was suggested that we talk to the leadership of the Food Pantry at both parishes as well as the Thrift Shop to see how we can engage our youth.

**Action items from previous meeting:** Father Pete stated that there is nothing to report. These items still need to be considered.

#### **New Business:**

**House of Charity:** This year we need to meet our goal which has been lowered by 5% from last year. Our goal is \$65K down from the \$80 - 90K from last year. If we reach our goal, the Parish receives 10% back. Father Pete will talk about the House of Charity at Mass rather than show the video. All thought this process might help to encourage parishioners to provide whatever they could to this cause.

**Scrip:** More needs to be done to get parishioners to purchase scrip as it is a source of revenue for the Parish without a cost to anyone. Father Pete will speak about this project after the House of Charity.

**Fundraising:** It was determined to keep the moratorium on fundraising. The larger organizations will continue to do their fundraising which is a community affair.

In conjunction with these financial projects, Father Pete stated that he will bring a financial report to the next meeting.

**Saint Luke Productions:** The Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring 'The Passion' on March 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of the Resurrection. This company is the same one that provided us with 'The Life of Saint Maximilian Kolbe'. Seating is limited so it was suggested that tickets be bought as soon as possible.

**Census:** It was stated that there are approximately 1600 families in the Parish. Joanne and Barbara are attempting to cull those who have left the area, are deceased, etc.

**Saint Casimir and COTR renovations:** There have been many upgrades to the Parish including the paving of the parking lot at COTR; tiling the Church floor; adding wall board over the cinder blocks; and much yard work. All of the doors at COTR will be replaced at a cost of approximately \$15,000. Work at St. Casimir's is to begin soon including redoing the Sanctuary, at a cost of approximately \$12,700. All of the funding for these projects comes from the donations that people made when there was the request for a new church building. Of the nearly \$500,000 that parishioners left with the parish, \$350,000 has been expended. . It was suggested by Jacquie that the bathrooms at COTR be upgraded. They are not pleasant for anyone attending Mass and especially for those at a funeral. It was suggested by Craig that changing tables for babies be installed. Jacquie will look into costs, volunteers, etc. for making this a viable project.

**Bishop McHugh Regional School:** There will be \$400,000 from the Diocese to keep the school going for two years, through 2015. Each of the four parishes will give a total of \$100,000 each year to the school. By June of 2015 there must be 190 students in grades K-8 for the doors to remain open.

Father Pete provided members with the Lenten schedule as well as Holy Week and Easter. He stated that the Stations of the Cross will be Traditional Stations as they were not well done last year.

**Action Items:**

1. Father Pete will meet with Marie Moran about Religious Ed (PREP)
2. Father Pete will meet with Carl Granieri, Jack Griffin, Diane Leo, Diane Peck regarding Youth Liturgy
3. Father Pete will contact St. Damien (Ocean City) Youth Minister
4. Jacquie, Peg and Leah will obtain information about engaging youth in our community activities.
5. Jacquie will research costs, volunteers, design, materials for bathroom renovations.

George and Peg will be unable to attend the March meeting. Craig will preside.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 7, 2013

Opening Prayer for March meeting: Leah Kornberg

Refreshments for March meeting: Carol Ann Allen

Closing Prayer: Father Pete