



## **Parish of Kolbe Saint Maximilian**

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 3, 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, Jacque Olansen, Ellen Pfeifle, Annette Sherby, Bill Zipparo

Opening Prayer: Peg Kroeger

Parish Council Leader: George Dudzek

Father Pete provided everyone with a copy of the minutes for the December meeting, the agenda for the meeting, and a Toolkit for Assessing the Pastoral Priorities in the Parish. The toolkit is to assist the council in reaching the goals it establishes .

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Old Business:

There was a lengthy discussion of the Pastoral Priorities and the focus our council should take. Father Pete suggested that we should try to create a vision for the Parish rather than to just deal with the "nuts and bolts" workings of the Parish.

As a starting point, the council focused on the Pastoral Priority of Youth and Young Adults. Suggestions were made to find out how other parishes are doing and how successful they have been. Craig thought that #1 in the toolkit of a professionally trained youth minister and a "space" might be a starting point. There is full time professional in Ocean City.

Much discussion about the CCD program ensued. Father stated that CCD is doing very well with approximately 400 students enrolled. The question is "How do we get the kids from CCD into the Mass?". Having a youth Mass; combining CCD classes for a Mass; attempting to have all from a specific grade level together; having a youth choir; and having Marie Moran (CCD), Carl and Jack (Music) attend one of our meetings were all suggestions made during our discussion.

Father Pete stated he will continue to update the council on the Parish Hall as information is available. He is meeting with the engineers next week to discuss the water supply.

A Communications Committee is being formed to assist in providing information to the Parishoners. Mary Lenahan and Ellen Pfeifle volunteered to be on the committee.

## New Business:

Father is having a night of spirituality to say thank you to members of the Ministry Prayer Service. This has been set for January 31. Father Pete wants to say "Thank You" to all those who assist with the various functions of the Parish. He is beginning with those who serve the Mass.

We were reminded that Ash Wednesday is February 13, 2013.

It was suggested that we bring ideas, expectations and desires for the Good of the Parish and the Needs of the Community to the meetings.

Questions were raised about the "Moratorium of Fund Raising". Should it be lifted? Has there been much thought of removing it? How have various organizations been effected?

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Father Pete will inquire about the Ocean City professionally trained youth minister for the possibility of a social function for the spring or fall.
2. Father Pete will ask Marie Moran, Jack and Carl to attend our next meeting to help with our Pastoral Priority of "Youth and Young Adults."

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 7, 2013 in the Rectory Dining Room at 7:00p.m.

Opening Prayer for February Meeting: Jacquie Olansen

Refreshments for February Meeting: Annette Sherby

Closing Prayer: Father Pete