

## PARISH COUNCIL

January 18, 2017

Minutes of the Meeting \* submitted by Kathi Trares

**PRESENT:** Fr. Ed Stafford, Marianne Berzinskas, Glenn Turpin, Karen Schulz, Susan Zukas, Jim Schultis, Peg Haney, Patty Nichols, Sr. Joyce Schreiber, Kathi Trares

**EXCUSED:** Deacon Gerry Scopilliti, Mary Ann Feddor, Bill Custer, Cindy Clark

Meeting opened at 7:05 p.m. with by prayer led by Susan. Jim Schultis announced that he & his wife have bought a house in Oberlin and will be moving sometime in April. Glenn suggested we have a party following our March meeting. Members will bring some sort of finger food to share.

### ACTION ITEMS FOR IMPROVEMENT AREAS

#### Parishioner Involvement

Kathi shared a report of the areas of involvement and total numbers for each (includes overlap of people serving in more than one area). Jim asked that the Excel files generated from the database be forwarded to him; he plans to compile and sort them so that a more accurate number of people involved can be determined.

#### Youth Programs

Current Efforts – PSR has a strong K-8 involvement. Teens are involved with areas like Liturgical Ministries, Ox Roast Fair, and Appalachian Experience. Peg noted that she shares information about youth activities on the Diocesan level which are then posted in bulletin, Facebook, etc.

Direction – A lengthy discussion brought up suggestions of forming our own program, becoming involved with local programs, and/or sharing information. Many felt focusing on our own faith formation would be ideal but resources for great leadership and funding hinder those efforts at this time. Youth need to continue their catechesis understanding their faith, developing a Catholic identity, and maturing in their faith. Parental encouragement and involvement will help them see the importance.

Specific Things To Happen - Continue providing information of activities for youth through bulletin and other media. Invitations to St. Helen, Newbury programs of Brothers of the Cross (father/son group) and Life Teen to be shared. Figure out ways to springboard off of the summer enthusiasm of Appalachian Experience and Ox Roast volunteerism and continue involvement throughout the year. Find a great leader and ways to fund a program for youth.

### MINISTRY UPDATES

**Finance Council** – Karen reported that they have prioritized parish projects: Phase I - Replacing Church Roof (3/4 of cost have been raised); Phase II – Addressing Church Walls. Plans are to encouraged donations with use of green Special Contribution Envelope (Building & Grounds) and to have 2<sup>nd</sup> collections in February & March to help raise funds. Concern being discussed includes Sunday collections continually falling short of budgeted amount for daily operations (suggestion of reporting more to parish and perhaps do a campaign for increasing collections was made).

**St. Joseph Cares** – Patty stated that the group will be hosting the January Free Community Meal. (Peg noted that a host group/family is still needed for March 26<sup>th</sup> event).

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with prayer led by Fr. Ed.

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** Feb. 15 (Prayer – Fr. Ed), Mar. 15 (Prayer – Mary Ann Feddor), Apr. 19 (Prayer – Bill Custer), May 17 (Prayer – Marianne Berzinskas), No Summer Mtgs.

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**December 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

Present: Jay, Chuck, Bill, Kathy, Marianne B., Mary Ann F., Michele & Bob, Diane

Bill read passage from Ephesians 5:13 has enough music to fill before 5 and 10PM

Dec 2, Eucharistic Adoration Fri Advent Songs

Jan 5, Liturgical Christmas Music with participation 7:30-8:15PM

Dec 3, Rosary at 4:20 PM. It was brought to our attention that about 10 Seniors had asked if we could have the Rosary on Sunday after mass. It was mentioned by a member of the committee that they used to go to the parishioner's home and pray the rosary, about 3 or 4 people would go together for those who could not attend

Dec 5, Communal Penance service St. Ambrose 7-8 PM

Dec 6, Communal Penance service St. Patrick's 7-8 PM

Dec 8, Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) 8:00 AM and 7:30 PM

Dec 19, Reconciliation here at St Joes 7-8 PM

Dec 24, Christmas Eve Mass - 5:00PM Children's Choir, Vigil Mass 10:00 PM

Dec 25, Christmas Day Mass 10:00 AM

Dates of Environment Dec 2 Mary Ann F, Marianne B and Michele will go shopping for supplies.

Dec 18 We'll use Team Leaders for this environment and will need to separate what we would like to use in the environment to make it easier for the Knight's to bring over after 8:30 mass

We will stage the boxes where they should be after 11:15 Mass.

Dec 19 5:00 PM We will start and with the help of the Garden Club, get the environment ready for Christmas except for flowers

Dec 23 Flowers will be delivered as early as possible.

Note from Kathy P. ask the Garden club if anyone could help out being, Mary, Angels, or Shepherds and on Sunday Dec 18 all characters are needed if you can help out please contact Kathy Paroff

JAN 8 2017 Epiphany of the Lord (Three Kings)

JAN 9 2017 Baptism of the Lord after last mass Christmas Environment comes down.

**NO JANUARY MEETING FEB MEETING THURSDAY 2-2 6 PM**

Respectfully submitted 12-2-2016

Approved

Diane Sanderson

**St. Joseph Cares**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, December 8, 2016**  
**7:00 PM**

Present: Patty Nichols, Kathy Hogue, Jan Herman, Angie Daczko, Joe Daczko, Jeanine Maczko, Ron Scala, Jean Wojtecki, Deacon Gerry, Jackie Lowry

I. OPENING PRAYER – Joe Daczko

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion by Joe to approve the meeting minutes of the November 2016 meeting, motion seconded by Jan, all in favor, motion carries.

III. *TREASURER'S REPORT*

Reported an ending October balance of \$1,644.55. November Deposit of \$681.25, and November Cases \$500.00, resulting in a balance of \$1,825.80 at the end of November. Cases for November are below.

Case	Check No.	Amount	Purpose
883	n/a	\$0	No check given
884	2790	\$100.00	Gift card Thanksgiving food
885	2791	\$200.00	Rent, *landlord waived \$200 fee owed
886	2792	\$200.00	Ravenna Storage

DISCUSSION

The group had discussion on the following topics:

- Jackie Lowry presented \$1000.00 check donation from Stepping Stones.
- Jan gave Joe all the documented 2016 cases.
- Asked for prayers for Cindy, having surgery before Thanksgiving.
- Women's Auxiliary gave \$700 donation to SJC.
- Ron's update- Start Talking Portage, Group looking for funding. Must have the manpower to respond when a request for help comes in. Applying for non-profit. Want to have Pari come to a meeting to explain the program to the Mantua Police Department.
- Program sponsored by Copley Police Department "Hidden in plain sight" at the Crestwood Middle School teaches parents what to look for to uncover any harmful substances in a child's room.
- Sponsoring the January Community meal again, suggestion to do the same pasta meal or change to Chili dinner. Will discuss further next meeting.
- Jeanine sent cards to 3 new people on the prayer list.
- Town Hall II sent letter requesting a donation.
- 4 C's also requesting donation, Jan will follow up on what their needs are.
- November was slowest month with only 3 cases, while December there are 8 people requesting help.

VI. CLOSING PRAYER– Deacon Gerry

VII. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:40 PM

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

**St. Joseph Cares  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 3, 2016  
7:00 PM**

Present: Patty Nichols, Bill Cleary, Jan Herman, Angie Daczko, Joe Daczko, Jeanine Maczko, Ron Scala, and Jean Wojtecki.

IV. OPENING PRAYER – Joe Daczko

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion by Joe to approve the meeting minutes of the December 2016 meeting, motion seconded by Jan, all in favor, motion carries.

VI. *TREASURER'S REPORT*

Reported an ending November balance of \$1,825.80. December Deposit of \$2,110.53, and December Cases \$1,705.00, check fee \$33.45, resulting in a balance of \$2,197.88 at the end of December. Cases for December below.

Case	Check No.	Amount	Purpose
887	2793	\$200.00	Rent
888	2794	\$200.00	Rent
889	2796	\$100.00	ATT, phone
890/895	2797	\$200.00 /\$50.00	Gift card for clothes/giving tree gift
891	2799	\$116.00	Rent
892	2795	\$389.00	Purchase major household appliance for parishioner
893	n/a	\$0	No call back from request8
894	2798	\$200.00	Rent
896	2800	\$200.00	Rent
897	2801	\$50.00	Rent
898	n/a	\$0	Repeat request, just helped in June.

DISCUSSION - The group had discussion on the following topics:

- Angie will be taking over the treasurer duties for Kathy either permanently if nobody else wants to do it or temporarily, complete report for the month will be emailed later.
- Joe plans on speaking at all the masses over the next few weeks to give the parish an update on SJC. He received permission from Fr Ed.
- Trying to organize clothing collection with the other churches in our surrounding area to be able to make a larger impact for the community needs.
- Plans for next Veteran Day to help homeless Veterans with supplies and/or send cards for encouragement. Valor House is shelter for homeless veterans. A 4 room house in Ravenna and 14 room house in Kent.
- Sponsoring the January 29<sup>th</sup> Community meal, all agreed to do the same pasta meal. Patty and Jan will meet before mass on Sunday to get an inventory and talk with Peg. Will email what is needed.

VI. CLOSING PRAYER– Joe

VII. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:55 PM

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

**Finance Council Meeting Minutes**  
**January 12, 2017**  
**Prepared by Karen Schulz**

■ **Call to order**

- We opened the St. Joseph Finance Council meeting with a prayer by Father Ed at 7:05 P.M.

■ **Attendance**

- The following members were present: Fr. Stafford, Ken Emerick, Joe Benek, Dan Safko, Cindy Clark, Cathy Sherbondy, and Karen Schulz

■ **Review of minutes from the last meeting**

- The November, 2016 meeting minutes were accepted as presented.

■ **Review and Discussion of P&L**

- Profit and Loss reports received from Cindy Clark and Pat Finn were reviewed and accepted. Cindy will ask Pat Finn for clarification on a question concerning negative interest.

■ **Pastor's Report**

- Father Ed reported there has been progress made on donations for building repairs. We have over half of the funds needed to replace the roof and should be able to start the project in late Spring.
- All projects will be done in phases. After the roof is completed, the interior of the church will begin, then the parking lot and other building repairs.
- Father reported that the logging of the wooded area on Church property is proceeding well.

■ **New Business**

- We will begin to get estimates from several groups for pricing of the church interior work.
- After we get the costs of the projects, we will meet with the Diocesan team of fund raisers for training and assistance for a Capital Campaign.

■ **Old Business**

- We discussed ways to clean out and organize records. This will make the storage room/areas more available.
- Rich Bretz confirmed that the rectory chimney is more cosmetic than structural, but will become structural if not attended to. We should have it repaired this Spring or Summer.

■ **Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:10 P.M.

The next meeting will be on **February 9, 2017 @ 7 PM.**