

Unapproved Minutes of September 18, 2018

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES for Tuesday, September 18, 2018

Members Present: Fr. Gordon, Donna Burnett, Regina Sharpe, Jessica Hillard, Larry Leyrer, Theresa Pollard, Carol Lawrence, Dcn. Bryan Root, Virginia Palinsky, Bill Stroup

Guest: Susan Jacobs

Members Absent: Angela Campbell, Gloria Davis, Barb Bishop

Meeting opened at 7:10 p.m. with a prayer.

Minutes from Tuesday, August 28, 2018 were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Fall Celebration: Good Shepherd will have its annual Fall Celebration on Sunday, September 30 at 12:30 p.m. Bill Stroup reserved a Bounce House for the children. The Knights of Columbus will take care of cooking the meat. The Youth Group will supervise the kids games and the Bounce House. Gloria Weber and Bill Stroup will help set up for the Euchre Tournament. Parishioners are asked to bring a dish to pass.
- 2) Community Blessing: The Montrose Community Blessing was held on Sunday, September 9. Attendance was down compared to the year prior. The MMA is looking for ways to promote it more for next year.
- 3) Annual Missionary Appeal: Good Shepherd collected a little over \$2500.00 to help the people from the fishing village in India. Fr. Gordon would like to take up another collection in mid-November for those who would like to give a little extra for Christmas.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Eucharistic Minister Training: The refresher training for the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion has been re-scheduled for Tuesday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Pilgrimage Petitions: Fr. Gordon will take petitions from the parish on his pilgrimage in October. There is a basket outside the parish office for the petitions.
- 3) There will be no October Parish Council meeting.
- 4) Community Thanksgiving Service: The Community Thanksgiving Service will be on Sunday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m.
- 5) Food Pantry: There will be a 2nd collection for the Montrose Food Pantry the weekend of October 13 and 14.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

- 1) Knights of Columbus (Dcn. Bryan Root)
 - a. The Knights will have Corporate Communion on Sunday, September 30 at the 11:15 a.m. Mass. The 4th degree color guard will be in attendance.
 - b. The Fish Fry's started up on Friday, September 7. Approximately 171 dinners were served that evening.
 - c. The Knights are using materials from "Building the Domestic Church" to create a new program that the community can get involved in.
 - d. Jim Hall will be setting out the displays for the 40 Days for Life Baby Bottle change collection.

COMMISSIONS

- 1) Finance (Virginia Palinsky)
 - a. We are 12 weeks in the new fiscal year and we are approximately \$2500 above budget on Sunday & Holy Day contributions.
- 2) Christian Service (Theresa Pollard)
 - a. No Report.
- 3) Worship (Donna Burnett)
 - a. No Report.

4) Social Media (Carol Lawrence)

- a. Carol has updated the website and parish app with Religious Ed forms and calendar and also the Youth Group meetings and events as well as the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Schedule.
- b. There is a link to the Crisis in the Church page and also for the Diocese of Lansing Catholic Women's Conference.
- c. On the home page of the website there is a tab for a Catholic Home Study where you can order books and then take a test online. You are able to work at your own pace and there is no cost. There are many topics to choose from.
- d. Carol is excited about some new data that she is able to collect and shared some statistics and analytics about how many visitors the website receives and how many hits a certain post or page gets.

BINGO (Gloria Davis) (Susan Jacobs)

- a. The Bingo worker Appreciation Dinner has been re-scheduled for Monday, November 5. Jake will do the cooking and there will be a training session following the dinner.
- b. A couple of the Bingo teams are short workers and could use a few volunteers.
- c. The Bingo jackpot is getting high which brings in more players. To date there is approximately \$4,000.00 in the Bingo checking account.

Youth Group (Jessica Hillard)

- 1) Youth Group begins on Sunday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. Jessica mailed out 26 letters inviting teens to attend.
- 2) The FanCloth Fundraiser has been extended. They need a sale of 15 items in order to submit another order.

DRE (Regina Sharpe)

- 1) Registration forms for Religious Ed have been sent out.
- 2) There are Catechist Formation opportunities available for enrichment.
- 3) Religious Ed will start off with a kick-off Mass on Tuesday, September 25.

Member-at-large (Barb Bishop, Angela Campbell, Larry Leyrer)

- 1) (Larry) It was brought up that the church doors are heavy and hard to open for the elderly and the handicapped. It was suggested that an usher stand by each of the entrances and open the door for those entering the church.
- 2) (Bryan) It was brought up that we need a railing on the step for the back entrance to the Family Life Center.

Fr. Gordon

- 1) St. Robert will hold a BLESStival on Thursday, October 4 from 4-7 p.m.. There will be free pizza in Angel Hall at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) On Friday, October 5 there will be a Mass and a rosary walk at St. Robert's at 7:00 p.m.
- 3) Father would like to have an all-day Eucharistic Adoration at Good Shepherd on Election Day, November 6. Adoration will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude with Benediction at 6:15 p.m. followed by Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kaczmarczyk
Secretary