

Mary Mother of the Church

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, November 29, 2012

Roll Call:

Chair	Beth Stevison	Vice Chair	Steve Krieger
Secretary	John Brucher	Admin & Finance	
Athletic	Tim Schulze*	Christian Service	Bruce/Susan Buerkle
Christian Formation	Eileen Carney	Health Ministry	Ann Noonan
Evangelization.	Peggy Dolter	Youth	Alyssa Clausen*
Liturgy.	Mary Jo Hartmann	Social	Mike Schmitz
Pastor	Msgr Jim Telthorst	Deacon	Dick Coffman
Sr. Assoc.Pastor.	Fr. Jim Brynes*	Dir. Rel. Ed	Ed Lewandowski

*Absent

Guests: Rich Risse, Jim Yamitz

Meeting began at 7:05 pm with members reading different parts of prayer for Rick Dean

Stewardship

Discussion was held on determining whether stewardship should be a commission or integrating it into one of the existing commissions such as Evangelization or Christian Formation. Guest Rich Risse spoke on ideas for stewardship and offered suggestions. Rich feels that it is not big enough to be a separate commission. He also announced that there is a new parishioner, Larry Grotski who will join the next session and will assist with stewardship, focusing on treasure. It was decided that the council will determine where stewardship should be placed at the next meeting. The two choices are stand alone or integrate into an existing commission. Rich feels it is not big enough to be a separate commission. Plans for spring “treasure hunt” are in the beginning stages and goal setting.

MMOC Website

Guest Jim Yamitz gave the council an update on the website and reviewed procedures for using it. Jim stated that the site averages approximately 150 hits per day, with the bulk being announcements. Most of the site information is static, tends to stay the same for the most part. Jim suggested that we steer people to the website for information as often as we can. Most of the regular updating of the website are the bulletins, updated weekly and the monthly Update articles. Last year we talked about starting e-mail alerts. A mechanism is in place for alerts on some items, but has not been utilized. Work on getting the videos took place this summer, but there are issues that need to be fixed.

Minutes

October minutes were approved with one change (Incorrect date).

Other Business

Dates and location of parish council holiday get together was discussed. It will be January 6 at 4:30 pm at the Burkles.

Regular Reports

PSR– In the process of having the confirmation group bring their sponsors come in and spending a couple hours informing them of their sponsorial duties. Parents of second grade are preparing their children for first communion.

Health–Health commission has tabled talk about a fundraiser until January. Asked for permission to put raffle baskets at the three fish fries and permission was granted.

Liturgy– Childrens liturgy is back in time for Advent-beginning Sunday December 2. Amy Simmons has six new catachist

Athletics–Everyday in December is booked in the parish activity center-December 1 thru 30. Two teams are in volleyball playoffs.

Christian Service– Had a great Stewfest at Karen House. The people who were there really enjoyed it. The count was down from the number who usually eat there because it was a Saturday night, which is not unusual.

Christian Formation–Eileen announced that during the stewardship cruise 121 CD's were used and an additional 95 to date for a total of 216. The Lighthouse Media stand will be up weekend of Dec. 3-4. It will have five copies each of sixteen titles.

Pastor's Comments

Father T. passed out copies of stewardship form from another parish for our information.

Meeting ended with prayer at 8:55 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 24, 2013