

Mary Mother of the Church

Parish Council Meeting

January 23rd, 2014

Roll Call:

Chair.....	Steve Krieger	Vice Chair.....	Mark Kotcher
Secretary.....	Dick Drury	Admin & Finance.....	Matt Newbold
Athletic.....	Mark Muehl	Christian Service.....	Mike Jarvis
Christian Formation.....	Eileen Carney	Health Ministry.....	Carolyn Duke
Evangelization.....	Peggy Dolter	Youth.....	Ryan Clancy
Liturgy.....	*Paul & *Sue Schulte	Social.....	Gary & Wendy Franklin
Pastor.....	Msgr Jim Telthorst	Deacon.....	Dick Coffman*
Dir. Rel. Ed.....	Ed Lewandowski		*Absent

Wendy F. opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:00 pm

Nov. P.C. meeting minutes were approved.

Steve introduced Randy Howe who informed the P.C. that the heating and air conditioning unit at MM has failed and that its replacement will cost about \$37,000. This expense will be taken out of major project money. That account has approx. \$134,000 now. This does not impact any other major projects. The only other major project in the near future is to remodel the bathroom at the annex which should occur in the next few months. The solar panels are ordered and should be installed in the next 2 to 3 weeks but may take 2 to 3 months to become functional. Each commission chair received via e-mail a detailed expense report for the 2013 calendar year. Randy then distributed 2014-2015 blank budget forms to each commission chair and asked them to fill in their commissions expected expenses. Randy would like to have this back at the Feb. PC meeting. Give the completed budget to Randy, Father T or Deacon Dick. There are no "miscellaneous" categories. Be as specific as you can when describing the projected expense. The outgoing PC chairs will be expected to attend the June PC meeting to finalize and approve the new budgets.

Mark K. distributed an outline, identifying the schedule and process for the upcoming Parish council elections. The commissions open include: Vice Chair, Admin/Finance, Christian Formation, Evangelization, Athletics and Youth. The only change to the outline was to move the date for parishioners deciding to run, from March 8th to March 6th.

Dick D. presented the results of the Tithing Adhoc committee. Each PC member received a 5 page copy of the slide presentation to help to follow the process and for note taking. 2 members of the tithing committee, Judy Belford and Kent LeVan were present and were introduced to the PC. The objectives provided by Steve were reviewed as well the history of the MM tithing program. The first half of the presentation presented information obtained from interviews of parishioners as well as some of the data gathered by the committee. The second half of the presentation presented 14 recommendations. At the end of the presentation several handouts were provided and each PC member was asked to review the handouts and pray for guidance. The February and possibly the March PC meetings will discuss the recommendations provided by the committee.

Commission Reports:

Vice Chair: Mark shared that the Praise Band is offering their services to assist with other fund raising events.

Social: No report

Evangelization: Peggy asked the council members to sign up for one of the “Rediscover Catholicism” forums.

Health: They are considering having a display in the vestibule near the end of Feb. The Fun and Fitness program is Feb. 22nd. Blood drive is complete.

Youth: 4 youth attended the Washington DC trip for the Pro-Life march. They are also working to improve the process to receive the Confirmation candidates. The youth group is trying to get to know the candidates so as to improve their initial retreat.

Christian Service: Mike asked a question regarding budgeting food for funerals. The food for the sandwich shops should also be budgeted.

Christian Formation: No report

Athletics: No report

Liturgy: No report

Finance: No report

Ed Lew: The “Come to the Table” program directed to children appears to be working but we still need to get some of the kids to church on Sun.

Steve K: Steve asked that everyone review the parish council goals and prepare to discuss them at the Feb. PC meeting. We received a note from the Keutzer’s thanking MM for supporting the founders’ luncheon - approx. 80 parishioners attended.

Father T: A pamphlet from the Knights of Columbus that discusses a “Round Table” program was distributed. A travel agent is attempting to organize a trip to the Holy Land and some of our parishioners may be interested. There was a question reg. our parish being involved in a mission trip - Mark K agreed to research this topic. The parish hall now has a projector installed in the ceiling and it can show DVD’s, CD’s, VCR’s and TV programs on a wall. The wall will have new dry wall and it will be painted with movie screen paint.

Closing prayer by Gary Franklin

Respectfully Submitted,

Dick Drury, Secretary