Parish Council Meeting Mar.16, 2015

Members present: Fr. Stephan, S.Chevalier, T.Dempsey, S. Maleike, J.Herschel, T.Wall, M.Donnelly (Financial), J. Colon (Financial), T. Woodward (Bookkeeper), P.Ramnarine (Religious Ed.)

Members missing: None

- A. Opening prayer by T.Wall
- B. Visitors Present: K.Harris, J.Mackinnon, J. Lust, A. Troy
- C. Next meeting: April 20, 2015
- D. Acceptance of Feb.16, 2015 minutes.
- E. Youth Report: No report. In future youth report to be omitted.
 J.Herschel to reach out to H.Malamas for sourcing youth to help.

G. Religious Ed. Report: P.Ramnarine

- a. Retreat for confirmation class 8th-9th grade 14 students attended hosted by Father Thomas.
- b. First penance will have 2 children this year.
- c. Confirmation will be held on May 17th 10:30 Mass, getting letters and uniforms in order.
- d. It was discussed and decided that Youth Masses needed more families to participate and coordinate in advance to serve its purpose.
- e. Trying to catch up with snow day classes missed is a scheduling issue with parents and/or students.
- f. Faith, Food and Fun April 18th 2-4:30, Youth Mass to follow.

H. Pastoral Assistants Report: S.Chevalier (Report submitted by Gary Texter)

- I. Finance Council Report: T. Woodward
 - a. Currently 96% under (\$87,549), 104% over (\$96,987) our expenses. Approximately \$9,000. in the red.
 - b. Fuel delivery alone \$9,263.
 - c. Still awaiting snow removal bill for Feb.
 - d. Diocese bill \$3,000.
 - e. Mt Carmel still doing payroll.

J. Unfinished Business

a. Maintenance: T.Dempsey

Spring is coming. Special thank you to all parishioners that have given to our request for funds during this very cold winter. Thank you to all that volunteered for shoveling the snow.

b. 999 Raffle tickets were made up, but had to be reordered due to the amt. in each packet, hopefully by the end of the week.

c. Summerfest 2015: J Herschel

Started the process of soliciting volunteers. Anne Virgilio volunteered to be the coordinator for the chicken barbecue tickets. Event will be held between 4pm-6pm and cost \$10. Take out will be available. Letters for donations will be made up and sent out to the local businesses. Will ask for volunteers at masses and any other needs that will help make Summerfest 2015 a success. Next Meeting April 8th.

K. New Business

- a. J. Lust of the Right to life committee reaffirmed her position as chairperson for the committee to the council. Baby bottles were set out as stated in the bulletin and collection of them to be made near the end of Lent. Donations of the bottles towards what agency or cause was discussed.
- b. 999 Startup to begin this weekend with new tickets. Steve Maleike has volunteered to chair the 999 Raffle.
- c. New thoughts for future fundraising. It was discussed that new money needs to come from new sources.
- d. AED discussion followed with applications for possible grants to help with the expense.
- e. Invites were sent out to some parishioners to be possible council candidates.

L. Final Remarks

a. Father Stephan expressed his desire to see that discussions and working factions of the church are done as a group and not individually.

M. Agenda for next meeting

- a. Review CCD contract and look at fee schedule for next year.
- b. Concentrate on 999 Raffle seed money source for Summerfest.

Closing Prayer by T. Wall

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