

Minutes Parish Council meeting 2-18-13

Members present: Fr. Stephen Huy Tran, Gail Arsenault, Stefan Chevalier, Tom Dempsey, Lisa Dyer, Phil Fayol, Rich Hutchings, Harry Malamas, Maryann Malamas, Tom Virgilio,

Absent: Bob Ernst, Joe Fraioli, Thea Woodward

Visitors: Johanna, Joann McKinnon, Alexander Chevalier

Call to order: Lisa Dyer

Opening Prayer: Lisa Dyer

Acceptance of minutes from November, December and January

Next meeting date: March 18, 2013

Youth report: None-car wash being planned for April

Religious education report:

- Cards sent to first responders in Newtown, CT

- Youth mass this weekend

- First reconciliation and reception was this past weekend

- Next year Religious Education program will be changed to single day-Tuesdays

- Faith, Food and Fun next date 4-12-13, Year of Faith 6-8:30 pm

- Confirmation date 2014 will be June 1st

Pastoral assistant's report: see attached report by Gary Texter

Finance council report: no report

Unfinished business:

- Maintenance: Tom Dempsey:

 - Snowplowing done

 - Furnace zone motor needed to be replaced

 - AA meeting \$30/ day will look into increasing amount to help offset

 - building operating cost, vigorous discussion ensued, Tom Virgilio

 - will speak to AA organizers

- Liaisons:

 - Lady Carmelites will not meet until fall but will be available to help with our various events

 - Car show, being planned at the Pine Bush High school in the fall

 - Liturgical committee met regarding Lenten events and will meet 2-25-13 to plan Easter events, 2 pm

Centennial committee: bowling 52 persons signed up, 50/50 planned for that day
Music CD's sales have done well and we are in the black
Vacation to Cape May will be raffled off
Centennial journal looking for boosters, advertisers, help
Discovering Christ program to start 4-7-13, run for 7 weeks till June 2, 2013 (no meeting May 12, 2013)
Round tables are being borrowed from Infant Saviour
Summer fest, still looking for a chair person, tentative dates that are being considered July 13 or 20
New coordinator for Food pantry is being considered

Mass schedule changes: change Sunday mass to only one 9:30 mass. Overall views on topic have been negative, therefore consideration of change has been tabled

New business:

Printer renewal: cost and information will be forwarded to the finance council
Finances: recent editorial by Cardinal Dolan (Catholic New Yorker, January 10, 2013), reviewed the Archdiocese plan for transparency. OLA has stopped publishing our finances in any form, i.e. weekly or monthly. We need to find a way to make the finances of the parish available to parishioners. No decision was made regarding this, further ideas are welcomed.
Parish needs to be run as a business.
Capitol fund continues to save money for future unforeseen expenses.
999 raffle: who's running it? Joann McKinnon was told that she is not therefore s she withdrew from being chairperson and will only sell at church, etc.
Office will run the remainder of ticket sales.
Mr. Hutchings and Dr. Chevalier are researching the viability of an Oktoberfest. possible date October 5th. More details will be presented at next parish council meeting.

Final remarks: none

Agenda for next meeting: Oktoberfest

Closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Stefan Chevalier, D.O.

