

Minutes

ATTENDEES: Father Jason, Father Gerry, Deacon Larry Roberts, Paula Jaklitsch, Anne Snyder, Thomas Arnold, Jerry Caoile, Russ Whited, Karen Boni, Christy Warren, Catherine Dixon, Juan Avila, Jeremy Rodriguez., Marilyn Luengo, Donna Kelly, and Emerson Georgeto.

NOT PRESENT: Jennifer Mayen, Amy Guerry, and Deacon Dan McNerny.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Parish Council President, Russ Whited.

OPENING PRAYER: Father Jason

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Russ requested Jerry Caoile report on the updates to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Parish Council. Jerry passed out copies of the Constitution and Bylaws and noted that the recommended changes were highlighted in RED print.

Jerry requested that all Parish Council members review the recommended changes and be prepared to vote on the changes or make comments at the next meeting in January. Jerry said that he would email copies of the Constitution and Bylaws and the recommended changes to all members so they could compare them.

A major addition was to add definitions to the Preamble. This is to properly identify the different factions of the Parish Council (elected members, staff and clergy). Another major addition was to add a section that provided guidelines for the removal of members from the Parish Council.

Minutes from the October meeting were reviewed. Emerson Georgeto made motion to accept the minutes as written. Jerry Caoile seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATION: Christy Warren reporting:

CCD is in the middle of Touching Safety with the students. Make up classes will be this coming Sunday, 22 November.

Students are learning "Sing a New Song" to be sung at the mortgage burning.

CCD Christmas party is on December 13th..

SPANISH CCD: No report.

YMP: Upcoming activities:

22 November –Preparing Thanksgiving baskets.

9 January – Life March and Youth Rally in Columbia.

7 February – Souper Bowl of Caring.

RCIA: No Report.

SPANISH RCIA: No report.

ADULT EDUCATION: No report.

YAMS: No report.

PARISH LIFE: Paula Jaklitsch reporting:

Catholic Daughters:

Christmas at Sea boxes to be delivered next week.

Will have a table at Christmas Bazaar this weekend.

Participating in Dec 8 festivities

The first two weeks of January we will be holding a collection of baby items for our baby shower for Lowcountry Pregnancy Center. The baby shower to be at our January meeting.

Ladies Guild

Christmas Bazaar this coming weekend.

Participating in Dec 8 festivities.

Christmas dinner on December 10th.

AOH:

1. Rosary for Life this Saturday, 8:00. Departing at 7:20 from ICC Parking lot. (Tim will be in uniform for pictures at the Respect Life booth immediately afterwards.
2. Wednesday, 02 DEC, Christmas Toast at Madra Rua, Rte 17.
3. Friday, 05 DEC, 1900. First Friday Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
4. Sunday, 06 DEC, We have the Coffee and Donuts after 0930 Mass!
5. Friday – Saturday, 11/1800 to 12/1800 DEC. Prayer Vigil in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe' at the Abortion Mill.
6. Saturday, 12 DEC, USHER DUTY. 1700 Mass, 1600 Show Time and Confession.
7. Tuesday, 15 DEC, through Wednesday, 23 DEC, 1900, Misa de Gallo Novena mass nightly except Saturday 19 DEC, when it is at 0500.
8. Saturday, 09 JAN, Respect Life March in Columbia, kick off 1100, I will leave immediately after mass.
9. Saturday, 16 JAN: Founding Anniversary Dinner. 1900.
10. Wednesday, 20 JAN Regular Meeting.
11. Friday, 22 JAN, March For Life, Washington DC Noon Kick Off. Tim will drive up the day before.

Knights of Columbus:

11/19 November Social - Chili cook off; Socks for Veterans.

11/22 Breakfast.

11/23 Deliver Thanksgiving baskets.

12/3 December Social - Christmas Adopt a Family Campaign.

12/8 Participate in festivities.

SPIRITUAL LIFE: Karen Boni reporting:

Liturgy Committee: No report.

Respect Life:

Will have a table at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, 21 November 2015.

The Respect Life Committee will meet on Wednesday evening (due to Thanksgiving holiday), November 18, 2015, in the AMC.

St. Francis Caracciolo Eucharistic Adoration:

Will have a table at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, 21 November 2015.

Alter Flower Ministry:

December 5th, 9:15 a.m. – Decorating the community center, and lobby in AMC building for Christmas. All are welcome to help.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Russ reported that a 4th commercial company has been contacted to put up hand rails in front of the church. The curb will be cut also and a 42 inch wide ramp constructed in front of the handrails.

SPANISH REPORT: Juan Avila reporting:

No report.

Brazilian Ministry: Emerson Georgeto reporting:

The new RCIA books are in and the class is set for next year.

The community is starting “9 Days to Pray” on December 12th. Nine different houses will be visited during this time for prayer service.

Emerson distributed special flyers on with YouTube information on an instructional video on Autism. It is titled “Help Us Helping”.

A missionary will be visiting the Brazilian community next week (1st week of November). Emerson provided an interesting history of the missionary and his conversion in faith.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ann Snyder reporting:

The next Finance Committee meeting is schedule for January 2016.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a blessed Christmas and New Year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Catherine asked about progress on buying a new organ. Father Jason and Marilyn had information on a 3 year old organ with warranty on sell for \$12,500.

Diocese approval is required for this purchase. Presently it is not in the budget. Father Jason will check with the church budget director to see what can be done.

NEW BUSINESS: No report.

DREAM SESSION:

Marilyn commented on the CPR training. She strongly recommends it if the CPR certification class is provided again.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Russ requested all clergy present to provide comments.

Father Gerry had no comments.

Father Jason reported on the following:

Mesa de Gallo is scheduled from December 15th through December 23rd. There are nine novena Masses representing the 9 months Jesus was in the womb.

Masses will begin at 7 p.m. each evening except for Saturday, 19 December. This will be an early 5:30 a.m. morning Mass.

Bishop Guglielmone will be the celebrant on the opening feast day for Misa de Gallo. Father Jason encouraged all Parish Council members to be present for the opening feast with the Bishop. All Church organizations have been encouraged to contribute to theses celebrations.

Father Jason will be the celebrant at two masses. But there will be a different celebrant at each Mass during the novena. Father Gerry, Father Ed, Father Geo, Father Ted, Father Noly, and Father Michael from Saint Thomas Catholic Church.

The Rosary will be said prior to each Mass.

Also upcoming in November and December:

There will be a special feast day on December 8th to celebrate the burning of the mortgage.

Opening of Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
November 18, 2015

15 December - Father Jason commented on the image of the Adoration Chapel. It now has stain glass (fake) on the outside. New carpeting has also been laid down.

CLOSING PRAYER:

Father Jason closed the meeting with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

The next PC Meeting will be in January.

January's meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 27 January 2015 at 7:05 in the library of the AMC.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Arnold, Secretary