

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

April 22, 2015

Minutes

ATTENDEES: Father Jason, Deacon Larry Roberts, Paula Jaklitsch, Anne Snyder, Thomas Arnold, Jerry Caoile, Russ Whited, Karen Boni, Emerson Georgeto, Jennifer Mayen, Amy Guerry, and Catherine Dixon.

NOT PRESENT: Father Gerry, Father Benil, Deacon Joe Anonie, Deacon Dan McNerny, Jeremy Rodriguez, Donna Kelly, Marilyn Luengo, and Christy Warren.

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Parish Council President, Russ Whited.

OPENING PRAYER: Father Jason

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Minutes from the March meeting were reviewed, but not voted on. There was no quorum at the meeting to vote on approval.

Russ gave an update on the church parking situation. Russ has discussed the parking lot structure with knowledgeable experts for a better layout of parking spaces. He has also discussed with Wayland Moody about the possibility of laying ROC down creating an additional 36 spots for overflow parking.

Russ stated that there has been four months of the parking notice campaign. He is waiting on the new parking lines to be laid down before moving to the next course of action. Russ has discussed the parking situation with the Goose Creek police. They are willing to start issuing parking tickets or warnings depending on the church's recommendation.

Russ stated that he has contacted another source for the construction of ramps in front of the church.

Russ introduced Steve Elhami from the Parish Finance Committee. Steve was invited to sit in on the PC meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATION: No Report.

SPANISH CCD: No Report.

YMP: Amy Guerry reporting:

Upcoming events are:

- YMP Service Sunday Mass on April 26, 2015 and May 23, 2015 at 5 p.m.
- Regular YMP meetings on May 3 and May 31.
- CCD Picnic on May 17th.
- Senior Sunday on June 7th at 9:30 Mass.
- Fundraising for Poland Original Works Art Program; other ideas are being panned.
- Planning has begun on the summer social activities. Activities are for the youth and their families.

RCIA: No Report.

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SPANISH RCIA: No report.

ADULT EDUCATION: No report.

YAMS: No Report.

PARISH LIFE: Paula Jaklitsch reporting:

AOH:

Held a farewell dinner for Tom and Lynn McCabe on 21 April. At the prodding of their family, they have sold their local home and are moving to Philadelphia.

AOH will be holding regular meetings in May, and June. July's meeting will be cancelled due to weather. But we will be doing our regular Ushering duty on the second Saturday in June.

AOH has been working closely with our Brothers at St Theresa's in Summerville, as we are the host Division for the 2016 AOH Convention in October.

Tim departs [Wednesday May 6th](#), will be back for a few days two weeks later, as Charleston is the ship's first port of call, then will return 11 or [12 August](#). John Mallon will stand in for Tim.

The **Catholic Daughters** . No Report

Ladies Guild

Successful Dessert Booth at Taste of Goose Creek.

Making necklaces for First Communicants.

Knights preparing pasta dinner for Guild on 5/14.

Slow down a bit for summer months.

Next Bake Sale in August.

Knights of Columbus had no report other than the activities listed in the bulletin.

SPIRITUAL LIFE: Karen Boni reporting:

Liturgy Committee: No report.

Respect Life:

Urgent Action Item: Please contact your South Carolina Senator in Columbia and urge him/her to pass the SC Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. H.3114, without amendments. (This act will save unborn babies 20 weeks old & older from being aborted because they feel the excruciating pain of their

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dismemberment and death.) Thank you – We continue to pray for the day when all human life is cherished, legally protected, and respected.

ICC Youth 4 Life had a wonderful Respect Life display and did a Ring Toss in the Taste of Goose Creek.

Sunday, May 3rd – Respect Life Fellowship Sunday – Coffee and donuts after 9:30 a.m. Holy Mass.

Sunday, May 10th – Mother's Day – May Crowning at 9:30 a.m. Holy Mass. Respect Life Committee to provide flowers for the children and the crown for the Blessed Mother.

Cenacles of Life – Every Wednesday, 5:45 p.m. (In front of the Tabernacle in Church.)

Third Saturday of every month – Priests for Life prayer vigil – praying Rosary in front of abortion mill.

St. Francis Caracciolo Eucharistic Adoration:

Corpus Christi Sunday, 7 June - Plans are in the works for a Eucharistic Procession after the 11:30 Mass to 4 stations on the parish grounds. A parish picnic is being planned immediately following. To ask parish organizations to donate food items.

Our Continued Goal: 24 Hour Perpetual Adoration – (Will need 3 committed people to sign up for each hour in the event a person is absent.) We need to ensure someone is present with our Lord at all times. Flyers are being handed out for Eucharistic Adoration after Masses. (Currently being hand out at photo Shoot.) (Rosaries are in.)

Final photo sessions for Church Directory are 27 and 28 March. Memorial dedications of loved ones can be mentioned in the Church Directory. Lainy Inquimboy is the contact. Business promotions and advertisements are also available in the directory

Refurbishment of 2 chalices and patens are still in progress.

Possible support for new lock to Adoration Chapel (for 24 hour adoration).

Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and for peace here and around the world.

SPANISH COMMUNITY: Jennifer Mayen reporting:

Jennifer stated that the Holy Thursday Mass was beautiful. The content included both English and Spanish. Jennifer requested to Father Jason that there be more events in Spanish during the Holy Week. Jennifer commented that she felt Father Jason's Spanish is now good enough for him to speak at the Spanish community events.

It was commented that ICC now has a larger Spanish community.

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BRAZILIAN COMMUNITY:

Emerson commented that parishioners from the Brazilian community are having difficulty with the sacrament of confession. Several members do not speak English well enough to make a good confession. Father Jason will check with the diocese for the availability of Portuguese speaking priests.

Working on getting materials for classes for confirmation and 1st communion.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Emerson had pictures of different types of handrails that could be used in front of the church for handicap parishioners. Putting a ramp in front of church was also discussed. No decisions were reached. These discussion items need to go through the finance committee to be budgeted (if they become action items).

Emerson reported progress for the building of the Penafrancia shrine on the island area of the pond is on going. Materials and labor have been obtained from the members of the Brazilian community. The ground breaking occurred today (3-25-2015). A foundation is needed. Estimated time of completion is 1 and half months.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ann Snyder reporting:

The finance council met Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

Becky read details of the 3rd quarter financial statements. There were no concerns noted.

Steve Ekhaml announced that he and Becky have begun the process of building the Parish 2015-2016 budget. Approximately 10 hours have been spent so far, with most expenses entered to date. He and Becky will meet 2-3 more times to complete the revenue part of the budget and make any last minute adjustments. The major expense added for this budget is \$40,000 for conditioners. The Finance Council will hold a special budget review and approval meeting on Tuesday, May 19th.

All staff that has not turned in budget requests is asked to do so as soon as possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion on status of repairing the organ. Spare parts cannot be ordered because of age of organ.

Katherine discuss with choir directors recommendations for acquiring a replacement organ.

Taste of Goose Creek was a success with over 17,500 tickets sold. The price of each ticket increased from last year, but the cost of food stayed the same. The Chinese Auction booth was very successful.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

DREAM SESSION:

Father Jason's dream is still debt retirement.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Father Jason asked Jennifer to announce her good news. In March, Jennifer missed the PC meeting because it was thought she lost her baby on her second pregnancy. Jennifer reported that on her last doctor's visit, the baby was still there. She is now three months pregnant. Prayers were answered.

Russ requested Father Jason give a report on his Israeli and Rome Pilgrimage. Father Jason compared this pilgrimage to his 2008 pilgrimage and said this one was a lot better. Highlights were:

- 25 people made the trip
- The tour guide was very good and was a catholic.
- Was able to see more holy spots. Said Mass at nine of them.
- It was a very safe trip.

Father Jason reported that ICC now has four seminarians. Two are Adornos and one is a diocese seminarian, Clemente (from the Spanish community) recently entered. Robert Dunigan recently was accepted at Mepkin Abby.

Father Jason stated that there will be a mandatory week of ordination in the Philippines in May.

CLOSING PRAYER:

Father Jason closed the meeting with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

May's meeting is scheduled for 27nd of May, 2015 at 7:05 in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Arnold, Secretary