

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

March 25, 2015

Minutes

ATTENDEES: Father Jason, Donna Kelly, Marilyn Luengo, Paula Jaklitsch, Anne Snyder, Thomas Arnold, Jerry Caoile, Russ Whited, Karen Boni, Emerson Georgeto, and Christy Warren.

NOT PRESENT: Father Gerry, Father Benil, Deacon Joe Anonie, Deacon Dan McNerny, Deacon Larry Roberts, Amy Guerry, Catherine Dixon, Jennifer Mayen, Jeremy Rodriguez, and Guadalupe Munoz.

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Parish Council President, Russ Whited.

OPENING PRAYER: Father Jason

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Minutes from the February 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. There was a parking problem the past Sunday when too many activities were occurring at the same time. Parking violations have decreased, but there are still violations. Russ recommended more action be taken than the parking violation notices being placed on windshields. After discussion, the following actions were suggested and recommended:

- Changing parking notices to parking tickets being issued. This action would start at the end of April.
- Signs being placed in the church vestibule that will indicate the new action that will be taken.
- Father Jason will direct bulletin notices be placed in the church bulletin that will inform parishioners of the new parking policy.
- Emerson suggested creating a new gravel parking area next to the AMC for overflow parking. This would be near the possible site of the Columbarium that in the planning stage.

Russ thanked Donna and Christy for their effort in distributing the parking notices the past several weeks.

Father Jason announced that a new occupancy rating has been approved for the Community Center. The Center now has a 760 occupancy rating (up from 225). This is for standing up type of activities. The rating with tables is 300. Russ will check with the diocese insurance representative prior to posting this change.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATION: Christy Warren reporting (No changes from February):

English CCD:

We currently have 283 people enrolled into the CCD program.

- 65 enrolled to make First Communion this year
- 51 enrolled in the Confirmation I program
- 25 enrolled in the Confirmation II program

SPANISH CCD:

So far they have 88 children in First communion. 16 Pre First Communion and 10 post First communion.

YMP: No Report.

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RCIA: No Report.

SPANISH RCIA: No report.

ADULT EDUCATION: No report.

YAMS: No Report.

PARISH LIFE: Paula Jaklitsch reporting:

AOH: We had our annual Ceili (pronounced: Kay lee) on the 14th, which was well attended. We had the Legacy Irish Dance Academy students for entertainment, of which 10 will be participating this weekend in Montreal at the International Feis (pronounced: fesh)

March 17th - 7 members of the Division marched (make that strolled), in Charleston's St Patrick's Day Parade, while simultaneously 2 members represented the division at the funeral of Windell Bunton's sister. (We had some Irish coffee after morning mass at St Patrick's, but other than that, I had two Cokes and a plate of French Fries for my noon repast, before returning home at 1315.)

Over the week-end of 21 - 22 March we collected for Operation Saint Patrick, in which the funds collected are used to support Seminarians.

[April 11th](#) we will be doing our ushering duty at the 1700 mass.

We are making preparations to participate in the Taste of Goose Creek [on April 18th](#). (Corned beef sandwiches on rye...)

Brian Boru Division is partnering with the Maewyn Succat Division at St Theresa's in Summerville to host the 2015 SC AOH Convention in October.

The **Catholic Daughters** will

1. Be putting out red and white rosaries and pamphlets for Divine Mercy Sunday for those who want them.
2. Working the drink booths for Taste of Goose Creek.
3. Providing rosaries for all the First Communicants
4. Having our [April 13th](#) meeting as a potluck at St. Philip Benizi in Moncks Corner, and
5. Have a bake sale on Mother's Day ([May 9/10](#)).

Our regular meeting will be [May 11th](#) with our June meeting being a meeting/end-of-year [dinner](#). [On July 26th](#) we will be having a parish Ice Cream Social with the proceeds going to the YMP for their trip to Poland in 2016.

Then our next meeting will be in September.

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Ladies Guild did not meet in March due to the Parish Lenten Mission and Adorno Fathers concert.

Bake sale was held on weekend of 3/14 and 3/15. We sold after all Masses, including the Spanish Mass on Sunday evening. That is the second time that we were able to do that and it was very well received. I received comments that the Spanish community would like to see more baked goods available. Ladies Guild will be exploring ways to get the ladies from the Spanish and Brazilian communities involved.

Next meeting is April 9. Gene Alaura will speak to us about the Inter-Church disaster assistance program that he spoke to Parish Council about last month.

We will have the Dessert Booth at Taste of Goose Creek.

We will making and presenting the crucifix necklaces again to each of the children receiving First Communion.

We will have a guest speaker from Edward Jones at our May meeting. This was rescheduled from March.

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

Fish Fry on 3/20 and 3/27.

Tom reported that the Alter Server appreciation day was a big success. All that attended enjoyed a fun and exciting double-overtime Stingray hockey game. The youth were veery appreciative. Received good feedback from the parents on this during the week.

SPIRITUAL LIFE: Karen Boni reporting:

Liturgy Committee: No report.

Respect Life:

40 Days for Life Campaign – There are several slots that currently have no one signed up from ICC to the end of the campaign. Help is requested. The Victory Rally / Potluck Dinner is scheduled for Sunday , March 29th, at 2 PM.

The Good Friday event will take place at the clinic on April 3rd from 8 AM to noon. Bishop Guglielmone will be participation from 8:30 AM to 9 PM. Several other pastors and clergy will be present from many denominations.

All Holy Week events are listed on the new Church website: <http://icgc510.org>.

May 3rd – Respect Life Fellowship (Coffee & Donuts) Sunday after 9:30 AM Holy Mass.

May 10th – Mother's Day – May Crowning – Flowers for May Procession.

CENACLES OF LIFE – Every Wednesday, 5:45 PM (In front of the Tabernacle in Church.

Passage of H 3114 delayed to study "Exceptions". (We do not want any amendments/exceptions.)

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St. Francis Caracciolo Eucharistic Adoration:

Lenten Breakfast Social – Saturday morning, March 28, 2015. Holy Mass at 8:30 AM, followed by breakfast in ICC Community Center. Guest speaker will be Father Binil, speaking on the Holy Eucharist.

April 2, 2015 – Holy Thursday, after the Holy Mass of the Last Supper with the Bishop, is All night Adoration with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the “Agony in the Garden” in the Community Center. The Sign-Up Sheet for attendance is in the vestibule of the Church.

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:

Russ reported that a bishop from South America (Columbia) will visit the Spanish community and say Mass.

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 Penafancia 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.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Father Jason reported the security cameras were up and working.

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NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

DREAM SESSION:

Father Jason's dream is debt retirement.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Father Jason requested prayers for his pilgrimage to Israel and Rome. Father Jason will lead 19 parishioners on trip. Pilgrimage will be from 6 – 17 April. Four days will be spent in Rome after pilgrimage to Israel. Jerry asked about the collection after the Adorno Fathers concert. Father Jason stated that it was very good (>\$3000).

Father Jason commented that the Seder Supper, Via Crucis, and "A Night of Sorrow" drama occurs during the Easter week.

CLOSING PRAYER:

Father Jason closed the meeting with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

March's meeting is scheduled for 22nd of April, 2015 at 7:05 in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Arnold, Secretary