

# PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

## OPENING PRAYER – Barb Vodicka

**Present:** Lisa Denomme, Peggy Kelly, Father David Lewis, Marty Merlihan, Iris Miltenburg, Andrea Visneskie and Barb Vodicka

Regrets: Frank McGuire, Phil Milan, Leona Weishar

Approval of Previous Minutes – Moved by Peggy Kelly and seconded by Andrea Viskneskie

## BUSINESS

- Training for Various Ministries – Follow-up – Fr. David Lewis – The Chancery staff has been approached and we are waiting on a response. Hoping to plan this for a Saturday for a couple of hours. This would be a refresher as opposed to new training.
- Christmas Fundraising Dinner Report – Iris Miltenburg – The meal was excellent. Pat Ditner did a wonderful job. There was great fellowship. A suggestion was made to set a pathway for walkers. The numbers on the tables was helpful. With the large numbers of attendees, the gift baskets should be in the hallway to give more room in the hall. A dinner bell to get attention would help when making announcements/draws. When putting out the advertisement it was suggested to put when the doors open. Ticket sales for the meal and 50/50 tickets sales need to be set up at different tables. There is too much congestion when they are done by the same people. It was suggested that wine be at the dinner which means we need to get a liquor license and a smart serve person for the handling of the wine. A committee is needed for overseeing the dinner. This used to be a Parish Council function. Perhaps it should be again.
- Calendar – Lisa Denomme – Parish Council looked at the pictures and it was suggested to have more pictures to cover the seasons. The calendar will be put together in July/August in order to have them available for Thanksgiving weekend.
- Lighting of Advent Wreath – 5 p.m. Mass. – Phil Milan – A proposal is to have one of the Eucharist ministers light the candles when they come into the church. The lead will light the candle after walking up in the procession.
- Pastoral Information Update – Iris Miltenburg – The Reconciliation Class is completed. Reconciliation will be on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. The Advent School Mass is Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Reconciliation for the school is on December 15<sup>th</sup>. The concert for the school will be on December 15<sup>th</sup> in the school gym. First Communion Preparation will start in February.
- Outreach Ministry – Marty Merlihan. – It is going well. Three new people were added to the visiting list at Chartwell. Heritage House is always fun and enjoyable. A few people are visited at Barnswallow place. Thus far 16 people receive visits monthly.
- Dates to note:

St. Teresa of Avila Penitential Service – Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Christmas Eve Family Mass – Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Mass – Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass – Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.

New Year's Eve Mass – Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.

New Year's Day Mass – Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m.

## **NEXT MONTH'S OPENING AND CLOSING PRAYERS**

**CLOSING PRAYER** – Barb Vodicka

**NEXT MEETING** – Tuesday, February 6, 2017

### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE REPORT**...submitted by Barb Vodicka

- 74 gifts of hand cream were wrapped and distributed to our shut-ins and nursing home residents. Thanks to the ladies who volunteered for this. Residents are always so happy that they are remembered.
- We have started selling Keep Christ in Christmas magnets after Masses each weekend. Cost is \$5.00.
- December 12th is our Christmas Potluck following the 6:00 p.m. Mass. All ladies are invited to attend.
- The next General meeting is Tuesday, March 13th at 7:40 p.m. in the library.
- Wishing you Christmas blessings and a very Happy New Year.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS REPORT**...submitted by Ray Denomme

- The Knights of Columbus "St. Teresa of Avila Angel Tree Drive" will wrap up before our December 21, 2017 meeting. Council 8192 would like to thank our parishioners for their great response in their support of Woolwich Community Services Goodwill Drive.
- The Knights of Columbus Christmas Dinner is on December 14, 2017. If you wish to attend, please call Ray Denomme no later than December 11, 2017.
- January 14, 2018 is the Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass for our deceased brother Knights. Please attend the 9:30 a.m. Mass and take part in this service. Remember to wear your member badge.
- The next General Meeting has been moved to December 21, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.