

St. Luke Parish Council Meeting

DATE: September 27, 2018

MEETING #86

TIME START: 7:40 pm

TIME END: 9:45 pm

In Attendance: Father Jerry, Nancy Andrejciw, Anna Blain, Mary Ann Ciprietti, Enza DeTina, Betty Frisina, Jerry Nelligan, Francine Regaudie-Mclsaac, Sabrina Vazzoler, Anna Wilkon

Regrets: Denise Barry, Joanna Wilkon

1. Welcome and blessing
2. Approval of minutes - approved by Anna, seconded by Mary Ann
3. Financial Report - Bank balance on September 27 was - \$77,000
 - Bell Tower Project is complete and paid for. Also flat roof in solarium, flat roof above mud room, narthex chimney completed and paid for.
 - Roof damage due to wind storm through insurance; flashing; insulation – still waiting
 - Next projects – outdoor, electrical sign, screens/monitors for inside of church.
 - Pre-authorized offerings and e-transfers were discussed and it was thought that it would be a worthwhile option to offer parishioners. Nancy will look into the process to set it up.
 - Fundraising – the Council decided to have a cookie dough fundraiser in late January/early February to coincide with Valentine’s and Family Day. Pre-Christmas is already busy at the parish and the school is doing their chocolate bar fundraiser in March. Anna had preliminary information and has requested more information from the supplier.
4. Previous Matters – no items at this time
5. Parish Life – Anna B.
 - Heralds of the Gospel Family Icon – no changes to report
 - Respite Care – no changes to report
 - Friendship Group – working on items for the November 10/11 sale
 - Social Committee – Friday November 9 at 6 pm – 10th Parish Harvest Dinner
 - Travel Group – no events to report
 - Marriages YTD – 6; 3 more to go
 - Baptisms YTD - 30
6. Parish Ministry – Denise
 - Altar Decorations/Linens – Preparing for Thanksgiving
 - Altar Servers/Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers – Patrick will be training our altar servers (and new ones) when we begin to incorporate the Book of Gospels at our Masses. Diocesan workshop for new Lectors is on November 3. There will be a note in the bulletin about the need for more Lectors especially at the 6 pm and 11 am Masses.
 - Baptismal Team – no events to report
 - Bereavement Team – no events to report

- Choirs – Outdoor Mass was a great success and was enjoyed by all those who attended. We thank Francine and Cindy for all the time and effort they have put into making the event so successful.
 - Francine is working with Father Jerry to find monitors or screens for the church in order to display parts of the Mass, song lyrics, announcements, etc.
 - Nancy will send Francine the event calendars to see if there can be participation from the Music Ministry.
 - Prayer Network – Anne Marie Mahoney will look after co-ordinating and preparing the intentions. They will still be sent out from the parish computer so that emails can be protected.
7. Social Justice – Betty
- Development and Peace Fall Action materials have been ordered. Betty will help insert the materials in the bulletin over 3 weeks. The Council agreed that the parish should continue promoting D&P initiatives.
 - Stamps were given to Betty to mail to D&P.
 - Food Pantry – the giving of non-perishable food items has stopped at the parish. We will give \$20 grocery cards to those who need help until the East Hamilton Food Centre opens at the corner of Quigley and Greenhill. When EHFC is operational a representative will speak at our weekend Masses to try to get volunteers for their service.
 - Chalice – contributions are consistent
 - Website – updated regularly
8. Education – Anna W.
- Bishop Ryan High School – first Mass was an outdoor Mass on September 19 celebrated by Father Charlie Galea. The Celtic Justice League, led by Loriann Pacenti the school Chaplain, is a religious youth club where students come together to spread God’s love through word and action. Every morning, the group hosts a breakfast club for students that cannot have a proper breakfast at home. The student’s will be hosting a Bake Sale for the school’s 60th anniversary. The pilgrimage walk is on Sunday October 14 from Cathedral High School to St. Anthony Daniel School.
 - St. Luke School – Sunday September 23 Back to School Mass at 11 am - students will be reading, bringing up the gifts at the Offertory and there will be treats for students (thank you to Mary Jo Sinclair for looking after this again this year); Knights of Columbus Fall BBQ to follow. Thank you to Mr. DeTullio for allowing us to send home ‘flyers’ with the students to invite their families to this celebration.
 - Feast of St. Luke is Thursday October 18 - opening Mass for the school year. Thank you to Mary Ann, Anna, Denise and Nancy Morley for preparing Jello cups for the students to have as a treat after the Mass.
 - Father Jerry will speak with Mr. DeTullio about morning Masses. If classes can attend Mass in the morning (at least on Fridays) then Father will change the time to 9 am.
9. Youth and Family - Joanna and Patrick
- Summer Bible Camp during the week of July 9 to 13 was a huge success. We thank Joanna and Marisa Alvarez for the time and effort that they put into co-ordinating the week.
10. CWL – Enza/Lori
- Report attached.
- On behalf of the CWL, Enza asked the following questions. Answers are included below...

- Why has food collection concluded? The program was becoming difficult to maintain. Logistically, it takes time to sort and prepare. This time is needed for administrative and parishioner obligations.
- CWL makes donations of \$100.00, four times a year to purchase food, is this donation still required to supplement the food pantry? The parish has funds set aside for the food pantry. This money was donated by parishioners and will be used to purchase the grocery gift cards. The parish will let the CWL know if financial help is needed but, for the immediate future, the parish does not 'need' it.
- Update on the sign at the front of the church/possible electronic sign. Quotes are being collected and it is a project that has been started.
- Status on the chimes – the outdoor speakers were removed in order to seal up the bell tower. The thought was to mount the outdoor speakers on their own stands (at an accessible height) once the bell tower was completed. This is on the to-do list.
- Social Justice, traditional Parish Event – Angel Tree, will this continue? Father Jerry would like to see the focus of the Angel Tree to be more parish-based. At least to have the effort made to extend help to our parishioners if they are in need. The school would still be helped by the Angel Tree Program and, likely, so would the agencies in the city. Details of how to reach out to parishioners will be discussed.

11. Knights of Columbus - Jerry

- \$210.00 was made from the food sales at the Parish BBQ. \$75 will be given to the CWL to go to the Pornography Hurts Campaign. Jerry will shop for a new BBQ as the one we have is not going to last much longer. In October, the Knights will lead the Rosary before Masses on the first 2 weekends. Jerry will be picking up Christmas cards soon and they will be available for purchase in mid-November. Jerry explained the Coats for Kids Program in which the Knights are involved. Last year, the Knights supplied 2,000 coats to children in local schools. This year, their goal is 10,000. A box of 12 coats is \$320.00.

12. NEW BUSINESS/ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- Portfolios – updates to the Portfolio were discussed. They will be redistributed.
- Parish Events
 - Weekend of October 20/21, celebration for the Feast Day of St. Luke with a Procession at each Mass –
 - The Council decided to move Hospitality Sunday to this weekend. It was decided to have pizza and desserts as a way to celebrate this weekend.
 - November 17/18 – Holy Land Christians
 - Saturday November 24 or Saturday December 1 – Breakfast with Santa – it was determined that Saturday December 1 would be the date for this event. Nancy will contact the school about using the gym so that more families can be accommodated.
 - Friday December 14 (?) – pizza and movie night for kids while mom and dad go Christmas shopping Patrick will speak to Joanna about this idea.
 - During the Sundays of Advent parishioners are invited to bring their baby Jesus to Mass for a special blessing. Children's Liturgy children will make their own Baby Jesus in a manger and they will bring them to Father Jerry for a blessing.

Next meeting is THURSDAY NOVEMBER 15 following the 7 pm Mass