

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING
PASTORAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2014

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Deacon Schofield. Members present were James O'Leary, Roland Roy, Deacon Bill Schofield, Donna Bosworth, Patricia Rose, James McLellan, Rita Selby and Walter Richardson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Rita Selby made a motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Jim O'Leary and unanimously approved.

Committee Members then gave reports from the various ministries in which they participate. The reports are as follows:

1) BAZAAR

Father Lemlin advised the committee that the net proceeds from this year's bazaar was \$19,245 which was about \$2000 more than the previous year. The wrap up meeting was held last week and plans are underway for the next bazaar.

2) BOY SCOUTS

Jim McLellan reported that nine scouts participated at a recent merit badge college. An Eagle Court will be held on this coming Saturday. The Christmas tree sale was successful. Scout Sunday will be held on February 23rd.

3) CHOIR

Roland Roy reported that the choir had received many nice compliments regarding the Christmas music. He noted that it was nice to sing to a full church. Rehearsals will commence on January 15th. Preparation for Holy Week will begin on March 5th.

4) LECTORS

Walter Richardson reported that Mike Bosworth has sent out the new schedule and that all is going well.

5) GRANDMA'S ATTIC

Rita Selby reported that Grandma's Attic had been very successful in the past six months with 3373 people served. Rita noted that help is still needed especially for Saturday mornings. A new carpet will be installed this summer.

6) EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Pat Rose reported that all is going well.

7) MUSIC

Donna Bosworth reported that all is going well. The 4 p.m. Mass and especially the 6 p.m. Mass provide an opportunity for youth to participate. At the 6 p.m. Mass there is some variation with the music.

8) MAY BREAKFAST

Father Lemlin advised the committee that Doris Legault had retired from chairing the May Breakfast. We will be in search for volunteers to chair or co-chair the May Breakfast. An announcement will be placed in the church bulletin.

9) BAPTISM

Father Lemlin advised the committee that another couple will be coming in at the beginning of March for the Baptism of a child.

10) BLOOD DRIVE

Jim O'Leary reported that the next blood drive will take place in the church hall on January 22nd from 4 to 7 p.m. He noted that good publicity had taken place from the church bulletin and from Father Lemlin's announcements at the various Masses. Notices were sent to other parishes for placement in their church bulletins as well as the Kent County Daily Times.

11) FAITH FORMATION

Father Lemlin reported that four candidates will be confirmed at the Cathedral on April 6th. At the end of April 11-12 children will have First Communion.

12) MAINTENANCE

Roland Roy reported that Home Solutions has installed six windows in the school building. Four had been damaged and had to be reinstalled on January 14th. We will be saving four sashes in the event that future repairs are required.

The fire alarm was inspected and was approved by the state and local authorities. The next projects will resume in the spring. Father Lemlin noted that McCormick Electric had completed its preparation work.

13) CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Jim O'Leary reported that pledges had reached \$343,700. As of January 10th \$258,448 had been collected leaving a balance of \$84,222. Father Lemlin noted that this was the last year of the campaign and that it was going well. We were able to repay the Interparish Loan Fund which is now at \$101,000. With another \$29,000 we will be where we started.

14) TWENTY FIVE WEEK CLUB

Father Lemlin reported that the club had ended and that it netted around \$6000-\$6500.

15) FINANCE

Father Lemlin reported that the weekly collections are about \$5800 behind last year's amount. Other items such as the twenty five week club and bazaar have assisted with extra income. The budget is still balanced. One possibility will be a campaign in the fall to address increased giving. This will be discussed with the finance council.

16) OTHER BUSINESS

Father Lemlin reported that we were able to give Christmas Is \$500 in addition to the gifts that were collected. The gift comes from proceeds earned at Grandma's Attic.

First Reconciliation took place in December with 11-12 children participating.

Sean Davies signed a contract for the grounds maintenance.

Jim McLellan and Rita Selby reported on the survey that they recently participated in. Rita noted that the parking and grounds are good. Also she found the interior décor, seating and sound system to be good. She noted that at the Mass that she attended there was not a greeter at the door. She had positive comments as to the music, homily Eucharistic Ministers and the coffee an. She also enjoyed the fact that the children are introduced at the beginning of the 10 a.m. Mass.

Jim found everything to be good, especially the atmosphere. He was pleased to see an influx of younger families. He did note that the seating looked worn and probably needed to be refinished.

Father Lemlin noted that we would be examining eliminating midnight Mass at Christmas. This year there were about 45-50 people who attended the Mass which was about the same as last year. One option would be to have Masses on Christmas Eve at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. as well as a

Mass on Christmas day at 10 a.m. This year there were about 175 people at the 10 am Mass which was about 100 more than were at the 9 a.m. Christmas Mass last year.

The next meeting will be held on February 25, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Rita Selby made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Pat Rose and unanimously approved.