

# **St. Joseph the Worker**

## **Parish Advisory Council Minutes**

Date: November 4, 2015

Submitted by: Cindy Staub

In attendance: Father Peter DiTomasso, Kathi Barefoot, Tom Clabaugh, Mike Farrell, Cindy Hartlaub, Vivian Small, Kay Smith, Cindy Staub, Bill Weaver. Guest: Jeff Small.

Opening prayer was led by Father Peter DiTomasso at 7:37 p.m. in the parish rectory.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from 10/14/2015 were reviewed and approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Cindy Hartlaub, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kay Smith.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Christmas Bazaar 12/12/15:

- Assignments are needed for council members for the day of the bazaar. Mike will ask Annette to have a list ready for the next meeting.
- Advertisement: already in the Catholic Witness; will be in area bulletins soon; sign will be placed in front of old school within a few days.

Speaker for Advent Season – 12/16/15

- Christopher West has been confirmed to speak at our church on 12/16/15.
- The cost will be covered by the parish (we had over-budgeted for Catholic Schools).
- Theme will be “Pope Francis and the fragrance of the gospel.”

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mckenna Stewardship Ministry - Proposal

- Purpose of the program is to get more people involved in the parish, both financially and with their time.
- Our weekly collections are not meeting our financial goals/requirements.
- We need to get more young people involved in activities (such as pot pie) and to be trained in positions that will become vacant when our older parishioners are no longer able to do the jobs.
- Representatives would review 8 weeks of our collection data before they speak at masses and then another 8 weeks of data after they speak and send out mailings.
- The company will send out several mailings to parishioners.
- \$2,000 fee would be charged for their services.
- Council members were concerned that we will not reach those who are the targeted group – the inactive parishioners. They will likely not hear the talk in church and possibly not read the material sent in the mail. If we do not have at least \$2,000 in increased revenue, this would be an expense instead of a profit.
- Father Peter will find out more specific information for the next meeting and also address the topic with the finance committee. He said there are also other companies that offer the same type of service.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Weaver; seconded by Mike Farrell.

Closing prayer was led by Father Peter at 8:00 p.m.

Next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.**