

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 3, 2018**

ATTENDANCE:

Corinne Bardgett, Doug Broleman, Patti Zerega, Dick Zerega, Joe Pavlik, Barbara Paulus, Denise Klevorn, Celeste Engel, Ray Bockskopf, Don Franke, and Dominic Grana

OPENING PRAYER:

Corinne

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Corinne asked for a motion to approve minutes from March 6th meeting. Denise made the motion and Dominic and Ray seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building Committee Report—Dominic reported that the Archbishop sent a letter to the South City Deanery priests and presented our case for leasing to a charter school. He asked them to get back to him if they wanted to rescind their previous objection to the proposal. Fr. Sebastian is still waiting to hear back from several priests. The Archdiocese had arranged a meeting with a group from Head Start but the group never called OLS to see our building. Dominic is waiting to hear back from a developer who has worked with schools. Joe asked what St. Mary Magdalen parish does with their school and Dominic stated they hold some adult education classes. Barbara stated that the Southampton Neighborhood Association holds their monthly meetings there. Corinne suggested contacting the City's Small Business Office to see if any interest in renting to small businesses but Dominic said there might be a problem with interest due to lack of air conditioning in the building. GSA is still looking for space.

Hall Rental Committee—Patti and Joe gave a report. They have contacted several venues to ask about rental cost and found the following:

Orlando's--\$500

Epiphany--\$200 for a room and \$500 for the gym

American Legion--\$500 for a 4-hour rental

IBEW--\$800

Royal Orleans—differs depending upon type of catering used

Patti stated that most venues charge a \$200 deposit w/return upon clean-up. She recommends no more than \$600 rental fee. We currently charge \$75 to rent our gym for 90 minutes for basketball (with a maximum 3 hour rental for \$150) and \$100 to rent our cafeteria. Patti is waiting to hear from an event planner to get more information.

Corinne asked what our liquor license covers and it was stated that Grant Villhard would know. Dominic suggested contacting Weinhardt Rental regarding fees for round tables and other catering needs. Corinne asked that the committee get back together and prepare a final report to include recommended caterers.

Organizational Group Meeting with Parish Council—Dominic asked if we ever got a

follow-up email out to the organizations and Corinne said no. She will do so and include a request for sharing of meeting minutes or periodic updates as to what each organization is doing.

OLS Picnic—Each organization has been asked to chair a booth and Corinne asked for a volunteer to co-chair with her. Don Franke volunteered to be the co-chair. The Parish Council will chair a game booth and Corinne will have a sign-up sheet for us to volunteer for shifts.

Fundraising—Joe Pavlik brought a proposal for an alphabet club which was modeled after one that St. John Nepomuk ran in the past. Joe would set up a committee to run the club but the proposal to sell 2600 tickets per month seems ambitious and it was decided that we would recommend reducing that to 1300 tickets per month. We would also initially offer the tickets from August 2018 through December 2018 and then make a decision whether to continue based on the success of the initial offering. After much discussion it was decided that Joe will contact the Missouri Gaming Commission to determine any licensing requirements and set-up a meeting with Fr. Sebastian to discuss.

Coffee and Donut Sunday—Corinne stated that the parish council will be the host of coffee and donuts on May 6th.

Memorial Statue for Kath Liermann—Patti Zerega reported that the Men's Club and the Women's Guild have covered the \$300 cost of the statue. A two-foot tall statue is being considered and would be placed by the fountain in the courtyard. A small dedication ceremony would be held between masses on a designated Sunday. Joe suggested getting something to honor the Notre Dame nuns so he will pursue this idea.

Emergency Plan Committee—Doug Broleman stated that a parishoner who works the American Heart Association is certified to teach first aid, CPR and AED classes. Doug will coordinate with her on dates and then advertise in the bulletin. The training will be mandatory for ushers.

Young Married Couples Outreach—Corinne has spoken to two young couples who are interested in forming a group and will continue to pursue this.

Town Hall comments--

- Facebook committee—Corinne reported that she, Kate Harden and Mary Kabbaz are maintaining the Facebook page. She encouraged everyone to submit pictures of parish activities to be posted to the page.
- Email Parishoner List update—No update to report.

Corinne then asked if we should address the general comments yet to be addressed. It was decided that she will pick 7-10 items and send them out to the council for discussion at our next meeting.

Fish Fry Status—Doug reported that there is no final report as there are still outstanding bills. We did have one less fish fry this year than last. Doug particularly wanted to thank the students from St. Mary's High School and Bishop DuBourg High School for their help. A special shout-out to Fr. Sebastian for all of his hard work in pitching in to clean tables and

helping where needed. There is no decision yet on whether we will have fish fries next year.

Boiler Status—Dominic, Ray and Doug reported that all ordered repairs are done with the exception of the thermostat. The electrical panel will be replaced on April 5th and other needed repairs are in various stages of progress.

Miscellaneous—Joe stated he has an alto sax that someone has donated. Corinne suggested he contact Paul Kappel to see if SCCA wants it.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:15 P.M.

CLOSING PRAYER: Corinne

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