

Our Lady of the Lake Parish Council Meeting
November 21, 2011 Minutes

Members Present:

John Adams
Michele Beuck
Ed Cvelbar
Tomme Hurley

Mike Lazor
Frank Macuga
Jim Michals
Barbara Morgan

Pat Ostroske
Bob Roach
Chris McGrath
Carole Price

Staff Present:

Fr. Joe Fortuna
Rita Testa

Dana Heil

Shawn Witmer

Minutes: Minutes of October 19, 2011 meeting were approved

Reports:

Chair: We will be having a social preceding the December 19 meeting at 6:30.

Fr. Joe: Parish website will be changing to a different platform that will provide better integration with the Parish software. We are about to start the use of the New Roman Missal this week. The Steering Committee Task Forces are meeting and work is proceeding. There will be a meeting of the whole Committee in December. Fr. Jared Wicks has been reassigned to Josephinum in Columbus. We will want some feedback from the entire parish on options for where we go from here. Fr. Joe thought about making 5 phone calls per week to parishioners that we rarely or never see in church. Then Fr. Joe thought of how many people we could communicate with these people if each staff member made 5 calls per week. Then, additionally if each member of the Evangelization committee would make 5 calls, we could talk to quite a few parishioners to establish and re-establish relationships with people. This endeavor is now just in the talking phase right now.

Old Business:

Women's Group Proposal submitted by Karin Ostroske: A proposal was submitted to establish a parishioners-led women's group. The proposal passed.

Pastoral Planning: We had a discussion about chapters 2 and 3 of *Build a Life Giving Parish: The Gift of Counsel in the Modern World*. We talked about the mission fields of the laity and of Fr. Joe and how *our* mission fits in *the* mission.

New Business:

Rosary Group Proposal for Funerals submitted by the Worship and Spiritual Life Committee: The proposed Rosary group, consisting of four to eight volunteer members, would, upon the

decedent's family's request, pray the Rosary at the respective funeral home, in order to offer prayerful support for the family. There is no cost involved with the Rosary Funeral Ministry group.

Golf Outing Proposal submitted by the Parish Life Committee: A golf outing is being proposed to be held at Briardale Greens during the summer of 2012 to provide a venue to foster camaraderie and to further a sense of community.

Committee and Staff Reports:

Evangelization: Met on Monday, November 7. Had discussion of how to get people re-engaged in ministries and get parishioners back to the church.

Worship and Spiritual Life: Met on November 16. Reviewed the Rosary Group Proposal. Spoke of details of the prayer intention book that will be in the Church. Preparing to submit a proposal for Eucharistic Congress.

Faith Formation: Met on November 13. Discussed many of the upcoming parish and cluster events such as World Marriage Day, Advent Reconciliation Night, Men's Christmas Party, OLL School Theater Group Performance, Taize Prayer Service, Lenten Mission and a Pre-Cana Day.

Parish Life: Had meeting where we discussed the results of the Ministry Fair on October 30. There were more than 30 sign-ups for various ministries.

Social Concerns: Met on November 15. Working on listing all that would be associated with the Social Concerns Committee so that they can refocus and redirect their efforts.

Dana: Gave out a flyer explaining the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Christmas in Euclid will be on Friday, December 2.

Rita: The Youth Ministry will have a table at Christmas in Euclid where they will sell hot chocolate and glow sticks. Rita had an idea that PPC members should occasionally do the welcome and announcements at mass.

Shawn: There are 30 enrolled in PSR. Out of that number, 22-25 are there on average per week. The parents seem to have a strong commitment to having their children in attendance. The teachers and students seem to really be engaged.

Our next meeting is Monday, December 19, 2011 at 6:30 PM