

St. Joseph Church, Emmitsburg, Maryland

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 31, 2016

**Present:** Fr. John Holliday, Fr. Charles Krieg, Diane Bittle, Ellie Legare, Mary Buchheit, Mary Myers, Amanda Calis, Sr. Martha Beaudoin, Alice Kabatt, Lou O'Brien, Betty Stewart.

**New Members Present:** Matt Legare, Fred Legare, Cristina Lowe.

**Excused:** Ken Karlheim, Noreen O'Donnell, Theresa Buchheit, Doria Wolfe.

**Absent:** Mary Neibecker.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Fr. Holliday.

Minutes of the meeting of March 29, 2016 were approved.

#### **Pastor's Report**

- A. Fr. Holliday presented a calendar of events for the parish through the end of the summer.
- B. The Corpus Christi procession was very well received. Pictures are on the website.
- C. Fr. Holliday announced that he will have a summer assignment as confrere-in-charge of the community's vacation house in Cape May, NJ and will be away from the parish from Sunday, June 25 through Sunday, July 31. Fr. Harry Arnone, CM will be with us during those 5 weeks to assist with masses at the parish as well as masses for the Daughters of Charity.
- D. The parish Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 17 was cancelled and is rescheduled for June 17. The parish budget will be finalized in June.
- E. Archdiocese of Baltimore Strategic Planning Process  
Fr. Holliday reviewed survey results as well as the text results relating to our parish.  
A copy will be posted on the website.  
A brief review of the parish financials was presented as well as a preliminary draft of the 2017 budget.  
The parish will begin an adult faith formation program in August and will run through to November and will include a bible study. We will evaluate attendance in December.  
Father Holliday suggested that we go over the survey results further. A workshop was suggested in order to discuss the results and from there develop projects that may be included in the 3 year plan. An interim meeting, then, is scheduled for September 6,  
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 27, 2016.

A closing prayer was offered by Fr. Holliday.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Stewart

# St. Joseph's Parish Ministry & Organizational Reports

As of September 2016

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT AND PASTOR'S REPORT

No report submitted due to Father Holliday's Mother's death.

### Legion of Mary

We continue our weekly meetings and our works. We hope to expand the works we do for the parish and community. Our last Curia was held in Hagerstown. The next will be Oct 2 at St. Joseph's. Submitted by Mary Buchheit.

### Pro-Life Committee

We had a meeting on Sept. 12. Our next meeting is Oct 5. We are conducting a Rosary Campaign for the month of October until the election for the unborn. There will be a life chain on Oct 2 at 12:30 on the square of Emmitsburg. We will hold an Adopt-A-Baby program in January after the March for Life. We will try to information on a bus for the March for Life in January. The Run for Life was done on Sept. 17. We had over 100 runners and took in over \$4,000. Submitted by Mary Buchheit.

### Religious Education Report

September 25<sup>th</sup> was our first day of religious education classes as a combined unit with St Anthony and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Instead of having 50 young people we now have 100 from K-8 grades. This makes classroom size nicer and we have 2 co-teachers in most classrooms

We only have 4 signed up for Confirmation. Submitted by Doria Wolfe

### Young Adults Ministry

Continuing to have bible study. Will attend Oktoberfest in Catoctin in October. Swing dance for high school group with St. Andrews in Waynesboro. No report Submitted by Theresa Buchheit

### ECHO

Everything is going well with our ECHO homeschool group. We've added a few new classes (art and chess for this year). We're off to a great start! Submitted by Ellie Legare.

### SOCIETY OF ST.VINCENT de PAUL, Our Lady of Grace Chapter.

No report

## Seton Center - Monthly Outreach Report:

Six people completed the first Getting Ahead program in May 2016. The second group has begun with 9 participants. The Getting Ahead program allows participants to discover for themselves what is available and to build resources that will lead to more varied and healthier choices.

From July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, Seton Family Store recycled over 27,000 pounds of textiles! Half were donated to the Frederick Rescue Mission and half were sold to Mid-Atlantic Clothing Recycling.

In June, July and August, Seton Center provided intake and emergency services to 100 households, assisting approximately 250 individuals. The costs were broken down into: 18% Rent, 20% Utilities, 29% Dental, 22% Catoclin Community Medical Fund.

The Seton Center welcomed the community at our Open House on Friday, September 9 for a reveal of our new logo and signage, tours, information sharing and light fare.

Submitted by Sister Martha Beaudoin

## Emmitsburg Council of Churches:

No report

## Sodality:

No report.