

## **Minutes – Holy Family LPC**

**October 10, 2024**

**Present:** Mark Mahoney, Warren Coelho, Peter Mulroy, Jean Ryan, Doug Wilson, Jennifer Saldanha, Mary Kouyoumdjian; **Guest:** Mary Helena Delahunt

**Absent:** Father Phil, Danny Tupas

**Opening Prayer:** Mark led us in an opening prayer

**Minutes:** Minutes from the meeting on September 5<sup>th</sup> were reviewed. Doug noted that a slight alteration to "Parish Picnic" should be made – the BBQ was borrowed from K of C (rather than Brian). Jennifer offered to make that alteration and re-submit for the record. Motion to approve the minutes was initiated by Jean, seconded by Peter. Motion carried.

### **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**

**a. Secretary:** Mary Kouyoumdjian

**b. Fund Raisers and Activities:**

- The Kitchen Party will be held on October 24/24, thanks to Marian and Gordon Albert. Volunteers will be needed for set-up and clean-up.
- The Parish Pot Luck on September 21<sup>st</sup> was a great success, with 84 people attending. The clean-up went well but it should be noted that, for future events, more volunteers will be needed for the set-up. It should also be noted that mice were an issue in the kitchen (to be discussed under new business).
- Fall Clean-up date still to be determined, depending on weather conditions.

**c. New Members:** Joe Santucci has accepted to join the LPC. We still need to find another person. Doug will contact Danny Tupas to see if his busy work/family schedule will permit him to continue on LPC. Appropriate announcements and dates will be determined.

**d. Kitchen concerns:** All previous issues have been addressed. Gloves have been purchased in sizes large and medium. Paper towel holder and soap dispensers have been installed, appropriate garbage cans have been set up

according to color. Doug will put a hook on the back of the kitchen door for the kitchen mop.

- e. Parking lot:** (At the special meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup> the proposals were reviewed and it was agreed that the parking lot work would be done.) It is now underway. Although the parking lot will be unavailable for the weekend of the 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, we should be able to use it by the following weekend (if the weather cooperates). The contractor will also do some much-needed patching on the other parking lot (by the hall). Doug and Brian will paint the lines for the parking lot.
- f. Holy Family History:** Doug is trying to get some information on the history of the Ukrainian Church in the area to add to the Holy Family History on the Parish website.
- g. Dynamic Catholic Christmas Book Program:** Mary gave some information on this program and how it could be used for evangelization. Although it is late to incorporate the program for this Christmas, it may be something that all the churches in our parish unit would consider for Easter. Mark will consult with the LPCs of the other parishes in our unit.
- h. Diocese Information Session:** Reminder that this will take place on October 25/24 from 8:30 – 2:30 at the Cathedral.

**Guest:** Mary Helena Delahunt questioned whether the long-standing custom of delivery of Christmas poinsettias to the sick and shut-in should continue. About 25 plants would be required. Mary Helena would look after ordering and picking up the poinsettias but would need volunteers for delivery. After some discussion of the good will of this activity and the minimal costs involved, it was decided that this was absolutely a worthwhile parish custom. Motion was initiated by Jean, seconded by Mary that this activity should proceed. Motion carried.

#### **New Business:**

- a. Financial Report:** The financial report was reviewed. Mark reminded us that, according to Anne, we are doing really well. Also, Anne heard back from the diocese that our request regarding the parking lot costs will be included in their next financial meeting. We should receive back a good part of the cost, if not all. Motion was initiated by Peter, seconded by Jennifer that the financial report be accepted. Motion carried.
- b. Pastor's comments:** Father Phil is away.

- Mark reminded us that Father Phil will be away again on the November 11<sup>th</sup> weekend and that all parishes in the unit will have Sunday Celebration of the Word.
  - Mark also reminded us that there will be a separate diocesan collection early in November. Anne suggested that we also offer to donate our loose collection that weekend. Motion was initiated by Warren, seconded by Jennifer that this be done. Motion carried. Mark will be speaking to the other parishes in our unit about this. If all agree, then Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity unit will challenge all the other units in the diocese to do the same.
- c. Thanks to Gerard:** Gerard will be stepping down as choir director at the end of November. In appreciation of his years of service, on November 16<sup>th</sup>, at the end of Mass, he will be presented with a nicely-framed picture of the choir and with a good bottle of scotch (which Doug will get). The choir will also present him with a set of 4 crystal scotch glasses.
- d. Mice in the kitchen:** This seems to be a common problem in various parts of the city this year. After discussion of various options, it was decided that we would hire Impact Pest Control, a professional company used by IHM. They will do a walk-around, assessment, set traps, and treat problems. Cost will be approximately \$200/quarter. They will monitor on a weekly basis. Motion was initiated by Peter, seconded by Warren that we move forward immediately on this option. Motion carried.
- e. Fund Raisers:**
- A Christmas yard sale will be held on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Notice will go in the bulletin next weekend.
  - We will have an online auction in the spring, March or April, 2025, depending on Anne's schedule.

**Other:** There had been some question about whether or not the Ukrainian Church would be continuing at Holy Family. It was confirmed that they are ongoing.

**Next meeting:** Our next LPC meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

**Closing:** Meeting wrapped up with a closing prayer. Motion to adjourn the meeting was initiated by Jean, seconded by Mary. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Kouyoumdjian

