Plmmaculate Conception Parish, Ira Township, MI Parish Council - October 2, 2018 Minutes

Meeting Date : Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Meeting Time: 7:15 PM
Meeting Location: Parish Hall

Member Name	Present	Absent	Position	
Fr. Joe Esper	Х		Pastor	
Deacon Ken Nowicki		Х	Deacon	
Deacon Larry Pazkowski		х	Deacon, Evangelization Rep	
Laura Somogy	Х		Council Member Chairperson	
Kathleen Grimm	Х		Council Member	
Bob Tharrett	Х		Council Member	
Ted Stawiasz	Х		Council Member	
Mary Kot	Х		Worship Representative	
JoAnn Augustine		Х	Christian Service Rep	
Dennis Cyr	Х		Long Term Planning Rep	
Jean Corbat	Х		Finance Council Representative	
Pam Mertes	Х		Stewardship Representative	

Meeting opened with a prayer at 7:13 pm

Minutes from September 4, 2018 - Approved with one correction noted. The 40 Days for Life will be from September 23 to November 4, not October.

PASTOR'S REPORT - Father Joe reporting

- The Archdiocese has not yet announced whether it will proceed with the proposed \$220 million capital campaign. The Archbishop is supposed to decide this month.
- Tours of the sacristy were held on September 8 and 9. About 15 20 people attended each of the 2 tours.

- A.L.I.C.E training was held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, September 12 with 45 people participating.
- A special Mass of Reparation for the Sins Against God's Children was held on Friday, September 14 with roughly 50 people, including visitors from other parishes, participating.
- Catechetical Sunday was September 16. Religion teachers and catechists were formally commissioned for the coming year. This coincided with coffee and donut Sunday.
- Faith Formation has started. This year all grades meet from 5:30 7:00 pm with the 7th and 8th grades meeting in the Parish Hall.
- Training for new altar servers was held on Sept. 29 with seven children taking part.
- Tastefest was held Saturday, Sept. 29. Final figures are not available, but it was well attended and seems to have been very successful.
- A special Mass for World Peace and the Conversion of Sinners was offered on October 1 as part of the International Week of Prayer and Fasting to End Abortion and Convert All Nations. About 45 people attended.
- lowa testing, a standardized test given each year, is underway in school.
- The annual baby bottle campaign is underway with funds raised supporting local crisis pregnancy centers. The 40 Days of Life campaign began on Sunday, September 23 with a number of parishioners participating.
- The annual Blessing of Pets will occur on Thursday, October 4 at 2 p.m.
- Author and alleged visionary John Leary will speak at I.C. on Sunday, October 7
 following the noon Mass. Also this day is the Coast-to-Coast Rosary. An outdoor
 Rosary Procession, weather permitting, will take place at 4:00 pm.
- The cemetery clean-up is October 13. The Knights of Columbus have been working to restore the stone building there; also, the older school children will be cleaning headstones as one of their corporal works of mercy.
- Plans and arrangements are almost complete for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of our church building. It is October 14th at 2:30 pm with Archbishop Vigneron presiding. The Michigan historical marker will be installed on the side of the church facing M-29. The ceremony will also recognize the new flag pole and paving blocks.
- The Feast of All Souls falls on Friday, November 3. There will be an 8:30 am Mass, which school students will not be attending, and the annual Memorial Mass at 7:00 pm.
- The weekend of November 3 -4 will be observed as *Unleash the Gospel* weekend. Trained volunteers from the AOD will speak after the homily, inviting parishioners to sign-up on their cell phones to receive a three-minute video each of the following six days. This will be part of a larger campaign to promote the Archbishop's pastoral letter.
- A Blue Water Vicariate choirs concert will take place on Sunday, November 4.
- Eucharistic Adoration will occur every Tuesday night after the 6:30 pm Mass until 9:00 pm Reposition rather than just the first Tuesday. This will begin October 16.
- The Dinner & a Movie committee is setting aside the proceeds from this event to purchase 200 more copies of the Saints' Hymnal, which will allow its use at more Masses than just weekdays.

Finance Council - Jean Corbat reporting

- Financial statements are done and will be published.
- The weekly money counting has been changed to Mondays and is working well. If the deposits are to the bank by noon, the funds are available that night.
- Current Financial review Bill Pantalone will email the list of payables to Finance
 Council. There have been no unusual expenses. The monthly payment for the cemetery
 loan repayment has been increased to \$750 per month. The Scholarship fund has been
 replenished by \$25,000. The Blue Water Vicariate School support invoice of
 approximately \$33,000 has been paid in full.
- School enrollment in K-8 is 125, with Pre-school the enrollment is 160 with 2 more expected.
- Bill Pantalone will send out a SCRIP report and inventory for Finance Council to review.
 Having SCRIP available during office hours in the Parish Hall and an inventory insert in the bulletin was suggested.
- The QuickBooks software will be updated when Lisa Freeland from the AOD is onsite in September.
- The PO process is now only in effect for large purchases such as text books.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Worship Commission - Father Joe and Mary Kot

- As of July 1 Father Joe is no longer vicar of the Blue Water Vicariate. Fr. Sal Palazzolo of Holy Trinity Parish in Port Huron is now filling the role.
- Father Joe's summer adult education class, "An Introduction to Catholic Apologetics" was fairly-well attended with about 45 persons for each of the four sessions. A fifth session, conducted by Deacon Ken and Deacon Larry, addressed the topic of evangelization.
- CSA surpassed the target of \$85,099 by roughly \$15,000. Figures were updated weekly in the Mass announcements to create momentum.
- Three fans were purchased for the church sanctuary to ease uncomfortable conditions as the air-conditioning does not circulate there.
- Donna Haase is the new youth minister following the "retirement" of Mike and Anna Vigneron after 12 years in this position.
- A special Rosary was offered in church on August 22, the feast of the Queenship of Mary, and on September 8, the feast of the Birth of Mary. About 70 people attended on August 22 ande about 20 on September 8.
- School began on Tuesday, September 4 with a special 9 am Mass. Students will be attending Mass on most Fridays.
- On Friday, September 14, the feast of the Triumph of the Cross, a special 7:00pm "Mass of Reparation for Sins Against God's Children" was held in

- response to the recent stories regarding clergy sex abuse scandals. Other parishes have been or are holding special Masses or holy hours.
- September's Mass of Reparation is Monday, September 17 at 7:00 pm.
- Altar server training began September 29 at 9:30 am for three consecutive weeks. On the Sunday before, one of the servers gave her own testimonial in hopes of inspiring more young people to consider serving.
- Confirmation enrollment will be at the 12:00 noon Mass on Sunday, October 21.
- Father Joe will be away the weekend of October 27 28; a priest from Cross Catholic Outreach will cover Masses and speak on behalf of that organization.
- The large tree taken down next to the parish garage and by the playground will be carved into "praying hands" by the Chainsaw Artist, probably in November.

Reports and Updates

Music: Adult choir practice resumed in September, Handbells in October. Our choirs have been invited by Our Lady of the River parish to participate in a program on Sunday, November 4. The Michigan Chamber of Chorale has asked to perform at I.C. on Saturday, December 8th at 7:00 pm.

Art & Entertainment: The summer flower arrangements and white tulle will be removed soon and replaced with Fall bouquets.

Liturgical Ministries: Tina tried to have a training session for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion and Lecturers this summer. Altar Servers will have training this Fall.

Sacristans: Some windows in the church are not being closed tightly which should be addressed with the sacrisas and ushers.

Altar Linens: No report

Loving Hands: The new Dyson vacuum has a malfunction problem. Mike Mytinger is handling the problem with Dyson. Mary will follow-up. It was noted that this is a great group of volunteers.

Upcoming Liturgical Events: Thursday, Nov. 1 All Saint's Day. Masses at 9:00am and 7:00pm. Friday, November 2, All Souls Day. Regular Mass at 8:30 am and a special Memorial Mass with candle lighting ceremony at 7:00 pm. Saturday, December 8 Immaculate Conception. Masses for the feast day on Friday (Vigil) December 7 at 7:00 pm and Saturday, December 8 at 9:00am. The Saturday morning Mass does not cover the Sunday obligation. Thursday, November 22, Thanksgiving Mass at 9:00 am.

Parish Mission: Deacon Ralph Poyo of the New Evangelization Ministries will speak at all the Masses the weekend on September 22-23. The mission runs September 23rd through the 26th. Hospitality and Deacon Ralph's books and CDs will be available in the Parish Hall. Reconciliation will be available every night. Deacon's talks will be on the parish website the week after his talks.

Unleash the Gospel: On Tuesday, September 4 Archbishop Vigneron presented to all priests a "Roadmap" for the archdiocese to Unleash the Gospel. Father Joe outlined the timeline. There are five levels of engagement:

- 1. Infrequent participant The Christmas and Easter only
- 2. Regular participant On average of twice a month Mass attendees.

- 3. Frequent participant Weekly attendees.
- 4. Engaged parishioner: Persons involved in the parish like on commissions.
- 5. Leadership Clergy, Lay leaders, parish staff, etc. November 2 and 4 is the "Unleash the Gospel Weekend". Archbishop Vigneron will deliver a short homily at all Masses after which volunteers will ask the audience to watch a two-minute video on their Smart phones. There will be papers in the church for those without Smart phones. On Friday, November 16 the detailed plan will be presented. The strategy will be started in January 2019.

Christian Service - No report

Education - Laura Somogy reported

The Education Commission has not met this year. October 10 is Vocations Night for the 7th grade.

Long Term Planning - Dennis Cyr reported

- Jeff Wooten is setting up an appointment with Wayne Cesark, a parishioner with Stone Mason, to get recommendations on repairing outside brick work along with tuck pointing the front steps of the rectory porch.
- The project to raise money to bring the choir balcony railing up to code is progressing. Brynn Wooten and Sophia Gafa, two IC alumni, are doing the fundraising.
- The fire inspector suggested installing a panic bar for quick exit from the choir loft if a security door is installed.
- The cracks, existing and possibly new, in the church walls are most likely stress cracks. The moisture readings are all good. These areas will be watched carefully to make sure the areas around them are not being compromised.
- Moisture readings around the gymnasium walls are high, which would indicate
 the trapped water is leaking out. The committee is looking into the construction
 again to make sure all openings are sealed to guarantee the water is not coming
 into the wall from above.
- The walls should be repainted this year. Wall preparation will have to be evaluated.
- The repaired drains at the entrance of the parking lot are working great.
- The main entrance slab at the school has not returned to the original location.
 Options to fix the issue are being considered and the committee will contact TPC for their recommendation as well.
- Cemetery Clean-up is scheduled for Oct. 13. During clean-up the damaged headstones will be repaired by Wayne Cezark. The stone building will be refurbished with a new roof, windows, and concrete floor. Donations for this will be accepted. Checks should be sent to IC with Cemetery Committee in the memo section. Bob D. is to get a company to survey the cemetery property and add markers, as a minimum at all 4 corners and every 300 ft. down the lines. Any

- fence damage will be reworked. The committee is looking into refurbishing the sign at the entrance to the cemetery and replacing the asphalt at the entrance and the roadway throughout.
- It was thought that the dome on the playground would have to be removed because it was deemed unsafe by the Michigan Catholic Conference Committee, but Father Joe said that this is not true. It is safe.

Stewardship Commission - Pam Mertes reporting

- Bookmarks in the hymnals have been replaced.
- Folders on stewardship are being created for Pre-school through 2nd grade at IC school. These will be similar to those that are in the children's activity bags for use during Mass.
- New, larger identification tags will be made for the children's activity bags, with clearer instructions as to where the bags should be placed after use.
- Stewardship has prepared a survey that will be sent to chair people of the various ministries asking them to critique the last Festival of Ministries event. This information will be used to help prepare for another event. It was stated that follow up is critical after the event and that process needs to be improved.
- The commission discussed the importance of having another Strengthfinder workshop before another ministry fair event is presented. Tina is in the planning process for this event.
- More bulletin articles featuring various parish ministries would be welcomed.
- The responsibilities of the Stewardship Commission were discussed.
- Information is being compiled and given to Tina on offertory envelopes for children.
- LPI has a video called "The Challenge, The Choice, The Vision" that is being considered to use with Father Joe's permission at the October 11 meeting.
- A second coffee and donut Sunday will be offered with a different ministry group invited to participate at each event. The intent is to spread awareness of the different ministries and provide hospitality to parishioners. There would be no out-of-pocket expense to the ministries that are participating. The Stewardship Commission will provide the donuts, coffee, etc.

Parish Life - No Report

Evangelization - Kathleen Grimm reported

- There appears to be plans for 140 new homes in Ira Township. As this develops, we may consider a flyer distribution to see if we can reach them as new parishioner candidates.
- A request was made to obtain St. Michael pocket tokens for participants in the Blue Mass scheduled for November 4 at 10:00 am. Since they are currently out-of-stock, we are thinking of using St. Michael medals instead.
- The bonfire is October 13 after the 4:30 p.m. Mass.

- Deacon Larry is conducting a book study series on Edward Sri's book *Into His Likeness* on Wednesday evenings as a follow-up to the mission.
- A request was made to host a Night Fever event at IC during the next Perch Festival. Deacon Larry was going to find out how to obtain authorization.
- Our 2019/2019 budget is still pending and was not approved as initially thought.
 Bill Pantalone is working on this now.

Old Business

 Review of Parish Mission - Comments were mostly very favorable. The mission and the hospitality hour that followed was well attended. The parish gave Deacon Ralph \$5,000, which represented the donations collected and a small offering by the parish. This was a good collection for a parish our size. Deacon Ralph was very impressed by our parish.

New Business - None

Open Forum - B

- Bob Tharrett asked whether the church surveillance is on a hard drive. It was thought that is was saved for 30 days.
- Dinner and a Movie ½ of the money will go to SHINE for their 30 hour famine and ½ will go towards the Saints Hymnals.

The meeting closed with a prayer at 8:40 pm

Next Meeting: November 6, 2018.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Diane Vigneron, acting secretary

Immaculate Conception Finance Council Minutes October 9, 2018

- 1. Opening Prayer Paul Sattler opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:15 p.m.
- 2. Attendance: Father Joe, Bill Pantalone, Paul Sattler, Bill Gilmore, Dave Furtah and Jean Corbat
- 3. The School Mission Statement:
 - a. Immaculate Conception School promotes (a/an) Caring Catholic community, Home for the active mind,
 Respectful, responsible citizens for a global society, Individual love for life-long learning, Strong value-based academic curriculum, Trust in the Word of God
- 4. Approval of minutes tabled.
- Reviewed Memorandum Re: Changes to Employee Benefit Program and 2018 Perchfest Summary circulated by Bill
 Pantalone prior to the meeting. Questions arose regarding the service credits expense for the festival. Bill will
 provide response.
- 6. Bill Pantalone also provided an update on:
 - A. BAE representative conducted an on-site campus review of computer networking system; three computers in Parish Office not networked and one (1) computer that was not networked crashed last week; BAE backed off some outstanding invoices; discussion held on upgrade to parish-wide system BAE providing estimate; some new laptops and computers are needed as well as networking all computers; BAE currently under a 2 year contract; Bill Gilmore offered to review the current system.
 - B. Woodward Energy will be walking campus on October 10, 2018 RE: DTE rebate program for cost effective energy efficiency improvements; cost is usually recovered within 13 months of installation.
 - C. Tina has requested revisiting the accounting procedure for her department. Paul Sattler suggested and the Council agreed that Tina be invited to our next meeting.
 - D. Draft Employee Handbook was provided to the AOD; the AOD has provided a more comprehensive handbook for review and possible implementation:
 - E. 2017-18 Financial Report will be available for review at next meeting;
 - F. Tri-County Business Managers meeting he attended in September, 2018 which focused on the potential impact on present & future donations to a parish/school in light of recently enacted changes in the tax laws.
- 7. Dave Furtah reported on cemetery improvements, including renovation of stone building, property clean-up scheduled for October 13^{th,} proposed fencing to be constructed after completion of a boundary survey and removal / repair of Sacred Heart Cemetery sign. Dave also reported that the historical marker for the church has been installed on the west side of the church building in time for the 100th Anniversary celebration of the construction of the church building scheduled for October 14th with Archbishop Vigneron officiating.
- 8. Father Joe reported on various issues including the Blue Water Catholic Schools 2018-2019 Statistics Report, update on Parish Mission and recommending we next meet on October 23, 2018 at 7:15pm. Council members were pleased that his assignment to our Parish has been renewed.
- 9. Next meeting date is Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 7:15 p.m.
- 10. Closing prayer at 8:15 p.m.

(Meetings are held in the Parish Hall after the 6:30 PM mass from September thru June on the third Tuesday of the month.)

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:15 pm.

Attendance:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	Excused	<u>Absent</u>
Committee Chair:	Randy Proctor		Χ	
Secretary:	Michael Nagrant		Χ	
Evangelization Liaison:	Deacon Ken Nowicki	Х		
Evangelization Liaison:	Deacon Larry Paczkowski	Х		
Members:	Kathleen Grimm	Х		
	Carol Gawel	Х		
	Barbara Nagrant		Х	
Amy O"Gara*			Χ	
	John O'Gara		Χ	
	Jim Polcyn			
Diane Polcyn Tammie Thelen Laura Somogy* Eliana Hogarth		Χ		
		Х		
			Χ	
			Χ	
Tina Kovalcik			Х	
George Delis		Х		
	(*On temporary leave.)			

Previous meeting minutes: We reviewed and accepted the minutes.

Old Business:

- A seminar on Divorce is now being planned by Tina and her committee. More to follow on this.
- The group is now considering planning a Saint Patrick's Day celebration for the 2019 calendar year. Stay tuned...
- We will restart our teaching segment at the start of each meeting to enhance our understanding of evangelization. The "Formed" website will be used for the study material. Please be ready to discuss Section 1,2,3,4 including additional downloads on bottom to be completed with notes for Nov, 20th. meeting. (Search for the articles entitled "Lectio: Evangelization" by Mary Healy.)

- There appears to be plans for 140 new homes in Ira Township. As this develops, we
 may consider a flyer distribution to see if we can reach them as new parishioner
 candidates.
- We started to develop a mission statement for our team, and we are asked to think more about this so we can discuss this more in future meetings.

New Business:

- Deacon Larry will be conducting a book study series on Edward Sri's Into His Likeness on Wednesday evenings (and perhaps a daytime session too?) beginning October 10 for four weeks.
- A request was made to obtain permission to host a "Night Fever" event at our church during our next Perch Festival. Deacon Larry was going to find out more about how to obtain this authorization.
- We need a representative from our group to attend the Monthly Vicariate Evangelization Meeting at Holy Family in Memphis every fourth Tuesday at 5:30 PM. We have decided that we will use a "Round Robin" approach to fulfilling this responsibility, as it would be difficult for any one of us to commit to doing it every month. At our monthly meetings, we will decide who will attend the next month's Vicariate Meeting.
- Deacon Larry has requesting that we rotate Tuesdays within the Evangelist team for St. Marys in Port Huron every 4th Tuesday meeting.
- Add George Delis to our team: telephone 586-222-1567 and email <u>delakis1@gmail.com</u>. He told a wonderful testimony about returning back to the Catholic church – Welcome George
- Nov. 3rd Deacon Larry has the notes on this evangelist training that is available.
- Nov 4th, after 10am Mass "Blue Mass" Veterans, police, firefighters are all welcome and we will give metals and have a table set up.

<u>Financial Report for Evangelization Committee Budget:</u>

• Our 2018/2019 budget is still pending and was not approved as initially thought. Bill Pantalone is working on this now.

The meeting ended at 8:00 PM with prayer.

The next meeting is planned for November 20th, 2018 in the Parish Hall.

Minutes were prepared by Tammie Thelen Thank you for all your patience.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION LONG TERM PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Tuesday October 16, 2018 –Un-Approved

Call to Order / Opening Prayer

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm
Father Joe led the group in an opening prayer
School Mission Statement was read by all
Meeting minutes from the September 18th was reviewed & approved with a correction

Church Repair Update:

- Dr. Sweep will repair the outside brick work along with tuck pointing the front steps & Father's porch 10/20/18. Cost is \$ 1,245
- Jeff W. updated the committee on fundraising efforts of the 2 Alumna. The girls will be making a banner & selling (50) plaques for \$50 ea.
- Bob D. to get with Shelving & Rack systems to measure up the opening for a security door. Est cost \$ 1,500
- New cracks in the church walls are being monitored. Bob D. will continue to take moisture readings.

Gymnasium Update:

- The caulk is pulling away from the wall which is an indicator that the foam fill & the HVAC units are working properly. Bob D. to continue monitoring.
- The walls should be repainted this year. Wall preparation will have to be evaluated.
- LED lights. Bob D. is in the process of getting quotes to replace the existing lights. Bob received one so far as follows: School \$ 33,549 & Church / Parish Office / Hall total \$ 4,132. Expected payback 2 years.

Parking Lot Repaying:

• Current estimates to repave the church / School parking lot \$211,035 for a 4" resurface or \$ 135,955 for a 2" cap. Further review & discussion over the next few months is required..

School:

- Main entrance slab has not returned to the original location. LTP Committee has contact TPC for recommendation.
- This project will be planned for the spring.

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Cemetery Update:

• The Cemetery Committee looked at replacing the asphalt at the entrance & the roadway throughout the Sacred Heart Cemetery. At this time all looks good but the drains need to be repaired in the spring.

Open discussion:

- Bod D. had the North side of the church hand rail re attached to the posts.
- Lights at the Handicap ramp. Committee looking at solution options. Further review required.
- Philips Signs are looking at the sign for pixels that do not light up. Maintenance item.
- At the Church Historical Dedication the State Rep. stated she would like the Rectory repaired & updated. Further discussion required to weigh repair costs.

Parish Council Representative:

Next Parish Council Meeting Nov 6, 2018 LTPC Representative: Jim mattina

Next Meeting: November 20, 2018 after 6:30 Mass

Meeting Adjourn and Closing Prayer at 8:23 pm

Blue Water Vicariate Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes October 23, 2018

MEMBERS/ MINISTRIES PRESENT

Vicar – Fr. Sal Palazzolo OLR- Kim Yadon,

St. Augustine/ Holy Family - Charlene Pizzimenti

St. Mary,PH - Tony Paladino

Immaculate Conception- Kathleen Grimm NE Region Parish Life - Mary Martin

APC – Kym Nummer

Right to Life – Joseph Nofs

Youth Ministers- Jessica Leenknegt

DRE's- Susan Finley

NOT REPRESENTED

St. Christopher Holy Trinity St. Edward

St. Mary, St. Clair

St. Mary Queen of Creation

Principals BWV Deacons

Cardinal Mooney H.S. Catholic Charities

NE Region Evangelization

The business portion of the meeting followed 7pm Holy Mass, and began with a short prayer led by Fr. Sal at 7:55pm.

Review and approval of Sep minutes which were approved by consensus

Formation:

 Mary Martin led a discussion of Guidepost #8 - <u>Attraction</u> with discussion at the table about which markers are already actively practiced in our parishes, and which present the most challenges

AOD- Parish Life

- Mary shared more details about the Communication blitz as part of UTG Weekend (Nov.3&4) It was recommended that a friendly reminder to the BWV pastors go out for them to remind their parishioners that it was important to bring their phones to Mass then.
- Nov 16 is the Parish Day of Renewal for pastors and staff will feature special guest Bp Byrnes speaking on Prayer, Fr. John Riccardo speaking on Kerygmatic Preaching and Fr. Steve Pullis will speak about a diocesan wide initiative for a Mission Oriented Christmas.
- Nov 17- Intercessory Prayer Team training at SHMS and a training seminar for Alpha leaders @ Holy Family in Novi- both event flyers coming through AOD email.
- Tara Stenger, BWV coord for YM has developed a tool for teens to break open UTG- based on Solanus Casey
- A traveling program to share the Solanus Casey relic is being offered to parishes

New Business -

 A suggestion was offered that all ministry reports be submitted electronically <u>before</u> the meeting to be read ahead of time. Which will expedite our meeting time. All present agreed that this would be our format going forward

Ministry Reports

APC - the APC has not met since our last meeting.

Evangelization

 The committee continues to meet informally every other month. Will submit their charter document to the BWV priests for review at the Nov clergy meeting and request their feedback the following month.

Principals

No report.

DREs

see attached report

Youth Ministry

see attached report

Cardinal Mooney H.S

No Report

Catholic Charities

No report

BWV Deacons

No report.

Right to Life

- Joseph Nofs reported that this year's banquet saw double the attendance in previous years, largely due to the tables for students sponsored by the Knight of Columbus and other groups.
- He shared literature on various political candidates and offered a website for voters www.RTL.org/vote that published a list of RTL endorsed candidates. It was agreed that this website would be sent to all the BWV pastors along with the cell phone reminder so they could share in their parishes

Open Forum

 Tony Paladino and Kym Nummer were asked to chair a committee organizing a concert fundraiser to benefit area outreach organizations that support victims of abuse (domestic, emotional, sexual, etc) Our vicariate will be asked to take on a significant role. More details to come

Closing Prayer at 9:10 by Fr.Sal

Next meeting is November 27 - Hospitality by Our Lady on the River

Respectfully submitted

by Susan Finley