

Immaculate Conception Parish Council March 2017 Minutes



Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 3, 2017

Meeting Time: 7:15 PM

Meeting Location: Parish Hall

Member Name	Present	Absent	Position
Fr. Joe Esper parish@iccatholic.org	X		Pastor
Deacon Ken Nowicki kgnowickid@sbcglobal.net		Excused	Evangelization Representative
Nicole Tomaszycski nicolembeutler@hotmail.com	X		Council Member, Chairperson (Term 2, Year 1)
Kathleen Grimm kagrimm@comcast.net	X		Council Member (Term 1, Year 3)
Bob Tharrett bobfarming@yahoo.com	X		Council Member (Term 2, Year 1)
Ted Stawiasz tstawiasz@aol.com	X		Council Member, Vice Chair (Term 2, Year 1)
Pat McGrath	X		Council Member (Term 1, Year 1)
Mary Kot skippykot@yahoo.com	X		Worship Representative
Laura Somogy	X		Education Committee/Evangelization Committee
JoAnn Augustine jaugustine30@comcast.net	X		Christian Service Rep.
Long Term Planning- Jim Mattina	X		Long Term Planning Rep.

Meeting opened with a prayer at 7:15pm.

Minutes of the June Meeting were not present to approve.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- As you've probably seen in the bulletin, we have reached and slightly surpassed our CSA target this is very good news, and I'm grateful to all who have contributed.
- The Archdiocese is considering a \$212 million capital campaign to benefit Catholic education; each pastor is being interviewed by the consulting firm hired to help the AOD decide whether or not to proceed. In the eight years our vicariate school support program has been in existence, the Blue Water Vicariate has raised over \$2,580,000 for our Catholic schools (above and beyond the more than \$10 million in school subsidies by our school parishes). I will be emphasizing that since we're already doing our part, our vicariate should be exempt from participating in such a campaign.
- We recently had some work done to repair drainage issues at the parish office parking lot, and also added a new sidewalk across the front of the former hair salon property.
- New HVAC units are ready to be installed in the school gymnasium; this upgrade in capacity should result in a major improvement in air circulation in the gym.
- The Tastefest held last Saturday, was very successful; though the final figures aren't in, this year it may very well have raised more money than ever before.
- Faith Formation began yesterday, and the RCIA will begin this Sunday.
- The Annual Pet Blessing will be held this Friday at 2pm in the school playground area.

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- The dedication of our Michigan Historical Marker at our St. Mary Cemetery will take place on Sunday, October 15th at 1:30pm, with Archbishop Vigneron presiding.
- I'll be away the weekend of October 21-22. A Dominican Priest will be here that weekend on behalf of Unbound Ministries (formerly the Christian Foundation for Children and the Aging), seeking sponsors of needy persons.
- The Following day, Monday October 23rd, a Canadian priest with a healing ministry, Fr. Michel Rodrigue of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Benedict Joseph Labre, will offer a special Mass at 6:30pm, and then give a talk and conduct a healing service; I and one other priest will be hearing confessions after this Mass.
- A question was asked about school enrollment and Father reported that there are 163 students, which is a little bit up from last year.

FINANCE COUNCIL – Fr. Joe reported.

- They are reviewing parish finances, statements, and cash flow. Examining best methods to accurately report information.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Worship Commission – Fr. Joe reported.

- At the Request of the AOD, a headcount will be taken by the ushers at all the Masses over the next two weekends.
- The Worship Commission, and Parish Staff, discussed the possibility of welcoming visitors to our weekend Masses (perhaps once a month).
- We also discussed the desirability of improving behavior at Mass, with a special informative “quiz” being one way of addressing the issue.
- Training for new altar servers has begun.
- On Friday, October 13 there will be a special 7pm Mass, followed by an outdoor Candlelight Rosary Procession, in honor of the 100th anniversary of the last Fatima Apparition.
- Our next Mass of Reparation will be Monday, October 16 at 7pm.
- Holyday Masses are scheduled for All Saints (6:30pm Tuesday, October 31, and 9am and 7pm Wednesday November 1), and the All Souls Memorial Mass will be at 7pm on Thursday November 2.
- The next Blue Water Vicariate Anointing Mass will be at 7pm on Friday November 10 at St. Augustine Church in Richmond.
- **Christian Service Commission** – Jo Ann Augustine reported for September and October
 - Mary Klein is doing a wonderful job with Mary's Garden and she is open to having more help weeding and watering.
 - Rosary Makers will continue to meet after Coffee and Donuts.
 - While Christian Service agreed that there wasn't room in the calendar to support a “Baby Shower” that had been brought forth by the Life Issues Committee to Culminate this year's Spiritual Adoption Program. Jo Ann did agree during Parish Council that Dinner and a Movie on December 2nd could accept donations, for the Pregnancy Care Centers.
 - Handcrafters is continuing to meet the 1st and 3rd of every month.

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- Olive Wood Sales will be the weekend of October 22nd.
- Little Way Ladies will be hosting a cooking event offered through Lil Camille's on November 9th.
- Life Issues Committee is hosting 40 Days for Life.
 - Blood Drive October 8th.

Education Commission/SAC – No report on hand. It had been submitted.

Long Term Planning – Jim Mattina reported.

- Policy and Procedures on safety in the church.
- The Church Door Lock has been repaired.
- New cracks in the church wall, especially by Station 4 and 7 are being investigated.
- They are also looking at light bulbs that could over time, save the parish money, as they use less electricity.
- A Ceremony to install the Historical Memorial Marker for the Cemetery will take place on October 15th.
- The next meeting will be the 15th of November.

Stewardship Commission – No report.

Vicariate Pastoral Council (VPC) – Fr. Joe reported.

- They will be going over the Pastoral Letter.

Evangelization – No Report.

Parish Life – No Report on hand. It had been submitted.

NEW BUSINESS: Father Joe reported

- . Father went over “Unleash the Gospel.” The importance of the Letter and how it is to be read in its entirety, with emphasis upon the importance of living it out in our daily lives.
- . The Outline of Unleash the Gospel was gone over.
- . What it means to be a “Band of Joyful Missionary Disciples” was gone over. We need to be willing to share our faith and to be serviceable.
- . Highlights such as Good and Bad Habits and Guideposts were mentioned.
- . Intercessory Prayer Teams need to be formed by December 2017. The Parish Leadership Team is working on implementing that. 12 people who went from our parish to the Intercessory Prayer Training Workshop offered through the Archdiocese are discerning their placement on that Team.
- . Family Mentoring and accompaniment were mentioned. Promoting Encounters with Jesus.
- . The Diocese is taking this very seriously and Central Services is working to help parishes with ideas for implementation.

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- . One new implementation for us has been adding a Parish Secretary, one Sunday a month to be available in the Hall after the Sunday Masses. For its kick-off it was paired with Coffee and Donuts and our secretary was really quite busy.
- . Father says we will still keep "Unleash the Gospel", as an Old Business Meeting Item, so we can spend about 15-20 minutes on it.

OLD BUSINESS:

- . Father had asked of those attending "Unleash the Gospel" what their thoughts were on the Presentations?
 - People attending appreciated the amount of work Tina and Deacon Ken have put into the presentation and how they keep people on task as they facilitate us through the document.
 - It was worth noting that one person with another agreeing that it would be more inclusive to all types of people to include small group discussion. Father Joe said just as it is not good to have all Small Group Discussion, it also equally not as good just to have all Large group discussion because it doesn't allow for shy people to participate.

OPEN FORUM:

- . It was suggested that a light be placed on the Monstrance during Eucharistic Adoration.
- . Clothing attire of those present volunteering as Lectors, Sacristans, EMC's, etc. should not be showing their thighs or cleavage as it just is not showing proper respect to themselves or the Parish Community.
- . It was asked who Stewardship reports to as it is a Commission. Father Joe said it is appropriate for them to submit their report to Parish Council.
- . It was also asked who is the Chair Person for Parish Life, in which Father Joe said Tina Kovalcik is.
- . It was also asked in the summer when the Commissions do not usually meet, what we should do when we have an inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Father Joe stated, we should at least contact the people of the Commission and any other people whom it may affect, before seeking staff approval.

Meeting closed with a prayer at 8:50pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 4, 2016 following the 6:30 pm Mass.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Laura Somogy

WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2017

Present: Fr. Joe Esper, Deacon Ken Nowicki, Pat Austin, Paul Sattler, Sandy Kott, Mike Mytinger, Eliana Hogarth, Mary Kot. Absent: Rene Meldrum, Carole Gafa.

Meeting opened with prayer at 6:30 pm.

FR. JOE'S REPORT:

- Bishop Hanchon was here for Confirmation on Monday May 1; 45 young people received the sacrament.
- First Communions took place the following Saturday, May 6; there were 37 First Communicants.
- The parish May Crowning ceremony was held that same weekend after the 10am Mass on May 7; the school's May Crowning ceremony was the following Friday.
- Last Saturday, May 13, was the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's first appearance at Fatima, so a special Mass was held for the occasion, preceded by First Saturday prayers and followed by a Scriptural Rosary; somewhat over 40 persons attended.
- This month's Mass of Reparation occurred this past Monday.
- Tomorrow evening we will have our Blue Water Healing Mass at St. Stephen Church in Port Huron, with confessions at 6pm, and the Mass at 7pm (including the Sacrament of Anointing), followed by Eucharistic Adoration and healing prayers.
- The Catholic Services Appeal is underway. The Archbishop's taped homily was played at the Masses the weekend of April 29-30, and a letter has gone out to all our parishioners; some pledges and donations have been coming in.
- The graduation Mass for Cardinal Mooney High School is this Sunday at 2pm.
- The school's Ribbon Mass will be next Friday (a ceremonial "changing of the guard" from 8th grade to 7th grade); that's May 26 – last day for the 8th graders.
- On Memorial Day, Monday May 29, Mass will be at 9am, followed by a remembrance service at the cemetery, weather permitting.
- Deacon Chris Stark, the executive director of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, will be preaching at all the Masses on the weekend of June 3-4—Pentecost Sunday.
- That same weekend will see the release of the Archbishop's pastoral letter as a follow-up and response to Synod '16.
- The 8th grade graduation Mass will be Monday June 5.
- The school's Awards Mass will be Friday June 9 (the last day of school); Eucharistic Adoration will begin once this ceremony is completed.
- The Mass for all our graduating high school seniors will be at 10am on Sunday June 11 (with seniors requested to wear their caps and gowns).
- Vacation Bible School will be held the week of June 19-23.
- John Leary will be speaking here on Sunday June 25, following the 12 noon Mass.
- Our Mission Appeal will be held the weekend of July 1-2; a priest will be here from the Diocese of Kitui, Kenya. (I'll be away that weekend and until July 5—so he may end up taking several of the weekday Masses, as well.)

- The State of Michigan has approved our request to designate St. Mary Cemetery as a Michigan historical site, and an official plaque is being made; the dedication ceremony is scheduled for Sunday October 15 at 1:30pm, with the Archbishop planning on attending.
- I'm planning 5 sessions of an information class for 5 weeks beginning the week after festival.
- I've created an information sheet for lectors; ***copies were distributed.***

There was some discussion about the above information sheets on when the lectors would approach the ambo, etc.; that information will be in their mailboxes this coming weekend.

Reports & Updates

Music: Will be on summer schedule after Pentecost. There will be “brass” for June 3.

Art & Environment: No representation. Suggestion that cross and resurrection statue could be moved to St. Joseph side of altar for more visibility.

Liturgical Ministries: Covered in Father's Report above. Some issues were addressed: altar servers being fidgety, looking around; where do the sacristans look during the readings—at the reader at the ambo; why do the sacristans clear the altar during communion time—to keep the Mass moving along.

Sacristans: Janice Cornwell is our newest sacristan.

Ushers: We have two new ushers, high school age. We are short of ushers, especially in the wintertime when some go to Florida. Sometimes, when we're short, only one sacristan is available to take the collections to the sacristy. Trying to get more high schoolers interested.

Altar Linens: We are making some new cloaks for the Infant of Prague to match the altar cloths for the various liturgical seasons and occasions.

Loving Hands: All is going well so far but our girls are getting older and some have serious health problems (backs and knees). We need some younger people (women and men) to help out and replace the older ones. Father Joe offered to put something in the Spotlight about this need, also a plea in the announcements at weekend Masses.

A big “Thank you” to Mike Mytinger for servicing and cleaning our vacuum cleaners.

Upcoming Liturgical Events

- August 15, Tuesday, Feast of the Assumption, Masses at 9:00am and 7:00pm.
- This year, Christmas will fall on Monday; Christmas Eve on Sunday, December 24, which will also be the 4th Sunday of Advent. Masses will be as follows: December 24 for the 4th Sunday of Advent 8:00 and 10:00 am – ***NO 12 noon Mass.*** For Christmas Eve there will be the usual 4:30 and 6:30 pm children's Masses; Midnight Mass at 11:00 pm. Monday, Christmas Day, 9:00 and 11:00 am.

Old Business

Easter Vigil attendance was light, but the Tenabrae participation was up a little. Music for Holy Week and Easter was beautiful.

New Business

- The chatter at the Confirmation service was not too bad, but the First Holy Communion Mass was extremely noisy and disrespectful. Perhaps we will go back to having two Masses for the First Communicants next year in order to have better control of the noise.
- Holy Communion should be distributed to those in the handicap area and the ushers should pay more attention to be sure the people there are receiving it.

Minutes of our last meeting of February 16, 2017 were approved by motion of Paul and supported by Eliana; all "ayes".

Open Forum

- October 18, 2017 Presentation on annulment, Blue Water Vicariate wide.
- Amy desires to have Father Joe's homilies available on the internet.
- Copies of Worship News, May 2017 issue, distributed by Deacon Ken.

Meeting Dates

Next meeting: September 21, 2017, Thursday, 6:30 pm.

Meeting closed at 7:35 pm with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Kot, Recording Secretary

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH COUNCIL

CHRISTIAN SERVICE MEETING – MAY 2, 2017

OPENED WITH OUR PRAYER

ATTENDANCE: TINA, LAURA, JAN CORWELL, JOANN

APPROVAL OF APRIL 4, 2017 MINUTES

ROSARY MAKERS – Kathy Becker will be having a jewelry sale after Masses this Sunday. We need help with setting up the jewelry and sale of the jewelry

FUNERAL LUNCH REPORT SINCE JULY – Plegue (200), Holly (45), Cyranski (75), Mayea (85), Rabine (75), Kuzminski (110), Schymanski (65), Latour (60), Messina (126), Fisher (76), Stein (55), Barbara (41) – Total \$1,013

HANDCRAFTER'S – WILL MEET 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH

COFFEE/DONUTS WILL BE HELD THIS SUNDAY, MAY 7TH

DINNER AND A MOVIE – Dinner and a movie took place on April 22nd. St. John Paul II was shown and polish food was served. 55 attended, donations were \$504 - \$252 was given to the Vacation Bible School Program, \$252 was given to the 39 Club Fund. The next Dinner and a movie will be June 3rd. The movie is "Heaven is for Real" and Pizza and Pasta are on the menu.

LITTLE WAY LADIES – NO REPORT

LIFE ISSUES COMMITTEE – Jan Cornwell is now leader – crosses going up on lawn (rosary will be said), Spiritual Adoption (50 babies adopted so far), hope next year we get more people for "March for Life", Mother's Day will be selling carnations, Father's Day will have candy and pens (K of C will help with this)(see attached additional notes)

TINA REPORT – 45 children confirmed, 1st Communion will have 37 on Sat., May 6th – Book Study "Everybody has to Forgive Someone" runs May 10-31, VBC runs June 19-23rd – need volunteers, Graduation Mass is 10 AM June 11th

NEW BUSINESS:

CHARITY POKER WILL BE HELD MAY 15TH THROUGH MAY 18TH – IT IS FOR I.C. PARISH

FESTIVAL TIME IS FAST APPROACHING – WILL BE NEEDING HELP IN ALL AREAS – KEEP A LOOK OUT IN BULLETIN – I WILL NEED HELP WITH LUNCHES THE WEEK BEFORE FESTIVAL – WILL NEED HELP ALL DAY, THURSDAY, JULY 13TH FOR STEAK OUT DINNER

NO MEETING NEXT MONTH

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, SEPT. 5TH

NEXT COFFEE/DONUTS WILL BE SUNDAY, SEPT. 10TH

**Immaculate Conception Parish
Education Commission Meeting Aug 21, 2017**

Un-approved Minutes

Attendance: Pat Phelan, Diane Polcyn, Tina Kovalcik, Laura Somogy, Diane Vigneron

Excused: Larry Ricard

Absent: Bryant Sebastian, Anna Vigneron,

May minutes approved with one correction. Laura Somogy was present at the beginning of the meeting to submit her notes and answer any questions. She then had to leave for a Life Issues meeting. Minutes should reflect that Laura was present. Tk

Welcome new member, Diane Vigneron! We are excited that you are joining us!

This is not a regular meeting. This meeting was called to order by Tina Kovalcik, DRE to inform the education commission about three items.

1. A New Direction for IC gathering on Sept 5
2. Unbound Ministry possibility
3. Bob Mueller's presentation Sept 7 & 14

1. A New Direction for IC
 - Tina explained the upcoming gathering September 5 to address Archbishops' new Pastoral Letter, "Unleash the Gospel" and the need that we all attend.
 - Formation will be expected at all future council, commission and committee meetings.
 - Fr. Joe, Deacon Ken and Tina have been working together to write this "New Direction for IC" presentation.
2. Unbound Ministry
 - Tina Tocco a trained Unbound Minister approached Fr. Joe about bringing this prayer ministry here to IC. Fr. Joe turned this information over to Tina. Information was gathered from Tina Tocco and from Nick Jorgenson at the AOD. I have reservations due to the past prayer group "Living Waters" that took place here several years ago. I am asking for information regarding the pain, hurt and divisions that occurred with the last prayer group. Discussion was held.
 - At this time, the Education Commission feels that we should hold off until next year due to several reasons.
 - First, our parish calendar is overflowing with events and there are not 8 consecutive weeks where this group could meet.
 - Second, they need several rooms where prayer intercessors would need to meet alone with a person. Right now, we don't have that space.
 - Third, the Ed. Comm would like to review the program or experience it themselves before offering it to the parish.

- Fourth, with the new Pastoral Letter and new curriculum guidelines coming out, Surviving Divorce and Grief Ministry, we would like to focus on that as this year has pretty well be planned out.
- We did discuss possibly offering this topic in the late spring or over the summer 2018

Bob Mueller

- Bob would like to offer a presentation for our Education Commission, Evangelization Committee, School Teachers and Catechists on Sept 7 & Sept 14. Topics are: A Different Look at Creation and Evolution vs. DNA.
- School teachers will not be able to attend on Sept 7 due to IC School Open House.

Next meeting: Sept 18, 2017, 5:00 to 6:15pm school library

Respectfully submitted: Tina Kovalcik

EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 20, 2017

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:13 pm.

Attendance:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Excused</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Committee Chair:	Randy Proctor	X		
Secretary:	Michael Nagrant	X		
	Ray Somogy		X	
Evangelization Liaison:	Deacon Ken Nowicki	X		
Members:	Kathleen Grimm	X		
	Tina Kovalcik		X	
	Barbara Nagrant	X		
	Amy O"Gara		X	
	John O'Gara		X	
	Jim Polcyn		X	
	Diane Polcyn	X		
	Tammie Thelen	X		
	Laura Somogy	X		
	Herman Hook		X	
	Liz Duffy		X	
	Eliana Hogarth	X		
	Carol Gawel	X		

Previous meeting minutes: We reviewed and accepted the minutes.

Old Business:

- Later in 2017 (October 14?), St Mary Q of C is hosting a seminar on improving marital relationships. Approximate cost is \$20-\$25 per ticket, and we will sell them at the Perch Festival at our table, as well as at the coffee and donut events of June 24 & August 20. Sign up sheets sent.
- The Coffee House event was a terrific success.
- The Perch Festival sign up sheets were sent for the evangelization table time slots. Please sign up. A representative from SPSE is expected be present on Sunday.
- We also are planning an "Open Church" event on Saturday evening of the festival like we did last year. Sign up sheets sent.
- An annulment seminar is planned for October 18, 2017.
- Our budget for our group has been approved. We should decide about the *Formed* program soon. The price went up \$80 (now \$1760).

New Business:

- An idea was presented to possibly plan a Classic Church visitation later in the year.
- Carol took orders for the polo shirts and we hope to have them in time for the Perch Festival.
- Deacon Ken passed out reading material to further explain the Church's evangelization effort *Unleash the Gospel*.
- The new link, *The Grace Line*, located on our Church website was introduced to us. It is a way to present your prayer intentions that we wish our Prayer Champions to pray for. You can also sign up as a Prayer Champion on the same page.
- Spent the remainder of the meeting planning and preparing for the Coffee House Event, held on June 24.

The meeting ended at 8:20 PM with prayer. **The next meeting is planned for September 19, 2017.**

Please sign up for anything you wish to volunteer for below and return to me to update it. Thanks.

Evangelist team members: We would really like to have at least two people (though more would be welcome) covering the SPSE table at each of the following three hour sessions at the Perch festival. Here are the volunteer assignments so far. Please fill in the time slots you can help us with and reply to all by Sunday, June 18 so we can get this firmed up in time to prepare. Thanks and God bless you for your efforts to making this event a success!

Friday, July 14	5PM to 8PM	Volunteer 1	Michael Nagrant
		Volunteer 2	Jim Polcyn
		Volunteer 3	Diane Polcyn
Saturday, July 15	2PM to 5PM	Volunteer 1	Randy Proctor
		Volunteer 2	Tammie Thelen
		Volunteer 3	Kathleen Grimm
Saturday, July 15	5PM to 8PM	Volunteer 1	
		Volunteer 2	
		Volunteer 3	
Sunday, July 16	2PM to 5PM	Volunteer 1	
		Volunteer 2	
		Volunteer 3	

Open Church during Perch Festival on Saturday Evening.

Saturday, July 15	Greeters at the door	Volunteer 1	Jim Polcyn
6PM to 9PM		Volunteer 2	Diane Polcyn
	People praying privately	Volunteer 1	Kathleen Grimm
	inside church	Volunteer 2	
	Walkers to invite	Volunteer 1	
	people interested	Volunteer 2	

		Volunteer 3	
<u>Ticket Sales for Allen Hunt Seminar during Coffee/Donuts.</u>			
Saturday, June 24	After 4:30 PM Mass	Volunteer 1	Kathleen Grimm
Sunday June 25	After 8:00 AM Mass	Volunteer 1	
Sunday June 25	After 10:00 AM Mass	Volunteer 1	Jim & Diane Polcyn
Sunday June 25	After 12:00 Noon Mass	Volunteer 1	Michael Nagrant
Saturday August 19	After 4:30 PM Mass	Volunteer 1	
Sunday August 20	After 8:00 AM Mass	Volunteer 1	
Sunday August 20	After 10:00 AM Mass	Volunteer 1	
Sunday August 20	After 12:00 Noon Mass	Volunteer 1	Tammie Thelen
<u>Coffee House Sign-up</u>			
(Set-up @ 2PM before mass on <u>Sat, June 24</u> -Min 2)	Michael Nagrant	Barbara Nagrant	Jim & Diane Polcyn
Greeters (Need Two)	Jim Polcyn	Diane Poclyn	
Food Replenishers (Need Three)			
Supplies			

Checkered Tablecloths			
Candles			
Checkered chip & food baskets			
Coffee, drinks, cups, condiments			
Evangelization table (Need Two)	Michael Nagrant	Barbara Nagrant	
Clean-up (Min 3)	Michael Nagrant	Barbara Nagrant	

All: Carol Gawel brought in sample Polo shirts that are made from a tech fabric that wicks sweat away from the body. We have chosen Royal Blue, embroidered with a special logo that is being designed by Amy O'Gara. The logo would be on one side of the front of the shirt and your name on the other side. The men's shirts appear to be normally sized, but the women's shirts are tapered for fit. I would suggest that if you want a tight fit, order one size larger than you normally would. For a comfortable fit, order two sizes larger. The cost is \$20 each. If you wish to buy one, please return the order form to me before June 19, 2017, or bring it with you to the next meeting.

Shirt order form:

Name

Phone #

Qty.

Sex (M/W)

Size

Shirts are available in the following sizes:

S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL

Name to be printed on your shirt:

Parish Life Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: September 26, 2017

Meeting Time: 7:15 PM

Meeting Location: Parish Hall

Present:

Pamela Mertes

Amy O’Gara

Sandy Stawiasz

Ted Stawiasz

Laura Somogy

Diane Polcyn

Eliana Hogarth

Tina Kovalcik

Pat Phelen

Excused:

Carol Gawel

Donna Haase

Absent:

John O’Gara

Meeting opened with a prayer at 7:15 pm

Minutes approved with one correction: Must include “New Business” heading.

Old Business:

- The first “Sunday Office Hours” was a huge success. Much business was conducted between the hours of 9am and 12 noon. People seemed very appreciative of the fact that we were there.
- Discussed a possible Volunteer Appreciation event. Dinner versus recognition at Mass, or some other form of appreciation. More information to follow. We will decide if we want to collect “in service” dates for ministers, and how we should go about that.
- We talked about how we could promote events here at I.C.
- Discussed a possible vicariate wide event.
- Current events – We need to make sure that the previously discussed “I.C. Events Frame” is put out at times when people will be gathering in the parish hall. We are asked to jot down ideas for monthly ideas for future publication on the board.

New Business:

- Unleash the Gospel – walking through the document.
 - We should be having formation at every meeting.
 - All committees and commissions should have a vision for a 1yr, 3yr, 5yr plan.
- It was suggested that we look at possibly doing “Strength Finder or Called and Gifted again at our parish.
- All committees and commissions should use the same format for minutes as the current system leaves out a lot of necessary information.
- It is recommended that only the chairperson of a given committee or commission be scheduling items on the parish calendar as there has been much confusion regarding the scheduling of events. This will ensure that the committee chairs are aware of things that

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are happening within their group, and will be able to make sure all events make it to meeting discussion and recorded in the minutes.

- A sign up sheet was passed around to volunteer to help out at the parish bonfire.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 9, 2017

7:15 pm

Parish Hall