

HOLY ROSARY STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES – April 25, 2018

- 1.0 Call to Order / Agenda / Minutes
 - 1.1 Opening Spiritual Reflection – Joanne
 - 1.2 Attending – Fr. Boyd, Kristin McCarthy, Jeff Obema, Angie Gazzola, Joanne Tersigni, Steve Wright, Rodney Bell, Cathy Whyte, Fernando Subang
 - 1.3 Regrets – Rob Lakosljac, Pat McCann
 - 1.4 Approval of Agenda - Additions / Changes / Motion to Accept Joanne/ Cathy
 - 1.5 Approval of Minutes - Errors / Omissions / Motion to Accept Angie/ Fernando
- 2.0 Business Arising – Cluster Leaders
 - 2.1 Cluster / Ministry Updates
 - More leaders required in the youth ministries
 - 2.2 CWL Report – CWL Representative
 - Presentation by Teresa DiFalco Legislation Chair CWL for the Diocese of Hamilton, informative and inspiring. Link to conscience rights, CCCB re unborn, explanation of how it could generate support for cause from diocese.
 - Budget meeting. Deferred.
- 3.0 Chair Comments –Jeff
 - 3.1 Volunteer appreciation. Separate the volunteer appreciation event from the parish picnic was good, went well. Well attended and favourable comment re special dietary needs. Leftovers went to Drop-in centre, notes taken for supply next year. Organizational aspects for future reference were discussed. Further comment regarding a desire to serve wine if we wish. Held at this time because it is / was volunteer appreciation week. Cecelia Mierering and Frank & Mary Eva Maine were recognized for their life long contributions to the parish.
 - 3.2 Evangelization: Ideas and discussion. Jeff would like to split the David Daylor event and have a separate, more youthful (18 – 36 age group), family focused event. i.e. as a mentoring programme to bring people into our church. Discussion regarding who we should be focusing on. Are we linked to the school council? Strike a committee to rebuild this church – reenergize the parish. Book reference “Rebuilt”. How do we evangelize? Father will get the book “Rebuilt” and / or “Divine Renovations” by Fr. James Mallon. Any from this council are welcome to read the book, even take a trip to the church in Baltimore that is the living proof. To be clear, the David Daylor event is something different from what Jeff is suggesting.
 - 3.3 Parish picnic: update. Activity ideas. Insurance to be arranged. No report from Rob. Sunday June 24. Committee to meet to deal with issues. Social events committee will take care of the food.
- 4.0 Pastor’s Desk – Fr. Boyd
 - 4.1 Easter, moving and profound. Many thanks to Kristin McCarthy. 12:00 Good Friday seems to have struck the right length of time together with involving children and attracting parents. Catechisis of the Good Shepherd were instrumental of identifying capable focused children.
 - 4.2 Acoustics: Rodney – the reverberation has been cut in half and the acoustics are much improved.
 - 4.3 Construction / Renovation Update: no report of substance.
 - 4.4 Conscience rights - lots of enrolment from the parish. The issue is of paramount importance to all persons not just Catholics.

- 4.5 May 10 2018 March for Life: The bus was too expensive. Persons signing up are now going with another group. Knights are helping with cost.
- 4.6 Provincial's Dinner April 18: This was an enjoyable event. Good representation for Holy Rosary Parish.
- 4.7 CJI: September 16th to be the date for CJI to attend at a mass, speak to the parish, and meet to inform the parish about CJI
- 4.8 Development & Peace: the collections is under suspension. Funds raised are being held by the diocese. There is a concern that proceeds may go towards a destination that may not be in harmony with catholic teaching.
- 5.0 Ad Hoc Committee Reports (Communications, Youth Ministry, Knights of Columbus and Refugee Committee)
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 - For May: John – Jeff will ask if John McCormick could attend.
 - For June: Wendy Obbema's name suggested.
- 6.0 Finance Report – Steve
 - The offerings were off, and based on the first quarter we may not achieve total offerings in line with prior years. Still there is much of the year to go.
 - The parish has some expenditures this year: acoustic panels (installed in April, now paid for), and a new boiler – these together will amount to over \$60,000 and will reduce our savings.
 - Some very good suggestions regarding out parish social and financial report to be made to the parish in May.
- 7.0 New Business
 - 7.1 Knights of Columbus in our Parish – reference March 21 minutes; council have been made aware of their desire to increase their profile in our parish and there has been some new recruits. More great stories about the Knights in our parish.
 - 7.2 Partnering with Manitoulin & support for Mother Therese Middle School Regina –a meeting may be called soon for organizing a trip to Manitoulin Island. We want to organize a group to Manitoulin. Keep Mother Therese Middle School in our minds with the possibility of promoting within our parish.
 - 7.3 St James student award – Catherine will contact the school and get the list.
 - 7.4 Volunteer Appreciation Event & Commissioning of Volunteers review. Discussed previously.
 - 7.5 New parishioner event – dinner/speaker David Daylor –
 - Rodney please update.
 - Rodney presented a plan and the council agreed to bring a commitment for participation to May's meeting.
 - 7.6 A question was raised as to whether there is room on council for another member.
- 8.0 Adjournment
 - 8.1 Closing Prayer
 - 8.2 Next Meeting – May 16.
 - 8.3 Subsequent note to the minutes: there is an additional space on council for a member at large.