# St. Joseph the Worker

## **Parish Advisory Council Minutes**

Date: January 6, 2016 Submitted by: Kay Smith

In attendance: Father Peter DiTomasso, Kathi Barefoot, Rose Bollinger, Mike Farrell, Vivian Small, Kay Smith.

Guest: Jeff Small.

Opening prayer was led by Father Peter DiTomasso at 7:30 p.m. in the parish rectory.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from 12/2/2015 were reviewed and approved. 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Vivian Small, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Farrell.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Christmas Bazaar 12/12/15:

- Total revenue generated was \$1,940.
- Suggestions for next year's bazaar include:
  - (1) Increasing the price of vendor tables from \$20 to \$25 (Motion made by Rose and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Viv to approve);
  - (2) Having Santa more involved (i.e. arriving earlier or having breakfast with children); and
  - (3) Using both schools.

## Christopher West presentation 12/16/15:

• Presentation was generally well-received and well attended by parishoners and those from other parishes.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Update on pointing the bricks on the Church:

- Church mortar is in need of repair. Father received a quote for \$36,000.
- Father announced an anonymous donor from the parish is providing the entire amount.
- Parish Council will provide a thank-you card for Father to give to the donor to show our appreciation.
- Work is to be completed during the spring/summer timeframe.

#### Super Bowl Celebration as a parish community:

- Council thought Father's idea would not be successful given the timing of the Super Bowl (Sunday evening 6:30 game time is difficult for families with school children to manage.)
- Potential idea of selling hero subs for pickup on Super Bowl Sunday was presented. The idea was viewed as a good one but tabled for next year given the short timeframe between this meeting and the Super Bowl.

#### Visits to Churches with Holy Door:

- The Basilica of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Danville is one of the Churches with the Holy Door.
- Father wants to gauge interest in making a Lenten visit on a Saturday morning.
- He further suggested to charter a bus, make a visit, and conclude the morning with Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Harrisburg. This would be a morning trip because Mass at St. Patrick's is at 12:00 pm.
- This idea is being evaluated and will be further discussed at the next meeting.

#### Parish Picnic 6/12/16:

• No bounce house will be provided due to liability concerns.

- Food will be located inside again this year.
- John Zeigler will be contacted to provide music again this year.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vivian Small and seconded by Mike Farrell.

Closing prayer was said at 8:00 p.m.

Next Parish Council meeting is Wednesday, February 3, 2016, at 7:30 p.m.