

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church
Parish Council Meeting
June 22, 2017
Parish Life Center
Volunteer Hours: 13

Call to Order: A monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Parish Life Center on June 22, 2017. The meeting convened at 7:11 pm. Chairperson Mary Soparas presiding and Lee Ann Molini recording the minutes.

Members in Attendance:

Fr. Mike Ingram, Fr. Peter, Fr. Meza, Mary Soparas, Rita Lovering, Terri Vigna, David Wilkie, Ruth Smith, Paula Spaulding, Gina Jenkins, Emily Gibson, Thuy Nguyen, Angie Mallar, Peter Elliott, Chris Eckert, and Lee Ann Molini

Members Excused:

Bob Amy, Tim Przybysz, Gene Dollander, & Joyce Broughton, Alan Thornton, Patrick Matheny, Don DeClue,

Guests in Attendance: Seminarian Nate Swann, Deacon Joe Soparas, Peter Krafinski

Opening Prayer: Fr. Ingram

Welcome New Members/Leaving the Council: Fr. Mike welcomed the incoming Parish Council members and graciously thanked the Parish Council members who had served this past year. Dinner had been served prior to the start of the meeting and was enjoyed by all.

First Order of Business: Executive Board Election/Installation. Fr. Mike introduced the candidates for the Executive Board and asked if there were any additional nominations for candidates. There were no additional nominations for the Executive Board. The election results include: President—Mary Soparas, Vice President—Gina Jenkins, Secretary—Lee Ann Molini.

Guest Comments—NA

Approval of minutes: The April and May minutes were approved.

Ad Hoc Ministry Reports:

- Finance- Fr. Ingram reported that the Parish is in very good financial shape. Last month an additional \$300K payment was deposited towards the remaining principle debt and it was expected that another \$200K-\$250K would also be available to be paid towards the principle debt within the next quarter. These additional monies are a result of parish staff efficiency and responsible management, as well as phenomenal stewardship from parishioners.
- Communications—Gina. New equipment is being purchased for use across the facility. A much larger projection screen will be needed than had originally been thought. Plans include cameras and live streaming in the Church. All ministries are requested to forward information about events and activities to Gina so that they may be posted. Items of interest may be sent to: communications@st-teresa.com. Planning an eCatholic training class for our web site soon.
- Hispanic Ministry—Angie. The Hispanic community warmly welcomes Fr. Meza. Adoration continues on Friday evenings from 7pm until 8am on Saturday. All are welcome to attend. Alter servers will be trained with servers from other Masses. There have been many interested persons who have become involved with the V Encuentro program.
- Vietnamese Ministry—Thuy. No report

Standing Ministry Reports

- Facility---Chris. The recent Work Day was very productive and included many youth.
- Christian Service—no report. (This Service will be combined with Parish Life in this next year.)
- Education and Evangelization-- David and Emily.
 - The Men's retreat with Gus Lloyd is scheduled for August 25-26. The goal is to have at least 100 men participate in the weekend event.
 - Students are planning their July 7-9 Steubenville youth program in Atlanta. Approximately 28 youth will attend and this includes some youth from St. Mary's.
- Parish Life--Rita & Paula

- The CCW annual Yard Sale will be held the weekend of July 26-29. There is storage available and items are starting to be collected.
- The fall activities are starting to be planned and will include the 2nd Annual Parish Picnic and a new Super Bowl Party in February.
- Next Newcomers Reception is August 20th. There were 44 new parishioners at the most recent Newcomers Reception out of 30 new families.
- Stewardship—Peter.
 - The Time and Talent weekend produced a list of 54 people who were interested in becoming involved with various ministries and committees. The next Time and Talent weekend will be held Sept 23 and 24.
- Worship--Ruth. No report

Old Business: None

New Business:

- **Ministry Assignments**
 - Matt Edmondson- Facility Chair
 - Dennis Crowley- Facility Co-Chair
 - Colleen Lang- Education/Evangelization Co-Chair
 - Greg Francisco- Education/Evangelization Co-Chair
 - Cathy McManus- Parish Life/Christian Service Chair
 - Holly Nail- Parish Life/Christian Service Co-Chair
 - Jean Ruddy- Stewardship Co-Chair
 - Ruth Smith- Worship Chair
 - Larry Baird- Worship Co-Chair
 - Sharon Vincent- Worship Co-Chair
- **General Information**
 - There is no Parish Council Meeting in July.
 - Ministry Goals and Objective will be sent out in the near future. Please review these. Next January, Ministry chairs will be asked to update and revised as needed.
 - The Parish Council meeting schedule will be sent to PC members with an organizational chart and the By-Laws.
- **Master Calendar Upcoming Events-**
 - July 10-21 Summer Faith Formation
 - July 15 Many Hands Work Day
 - July 26-29 CCW Yard Sale
 - August 20 Newcomers Reception
 - August 20 Faith Formation begins
 - August 25-26 Men's Retreat

Open Discussion: For information purposes, there are wheelchairs located in the church for use as needed.

Pastor's Comments: Fr. Ingram informed the group that Trinity Hospital was recently purchased by University Hospital and is no longer a Catholic hospital. St. Teresa's was fortunate to be the recipients of the donated wooden crucifix which was in their chapel. The crucifix will be placed in our church in the near future. New sod has been placed in the front of the church, and last week a groundbreaking took place for the new pavilion which will be for use by everyone. Fr. Ingram stated that he was impressed with the amazing things that are accomplished within this parish and sees unlimited potential. This parish has changed many lives through the numerous programs and activities offered throughout the year. He feels very privileged and honored to be our Pastor and believes that all the wonderful things that are happening are because the parishioners who take ownership and are truly invested in St. Teresa's. He gave his sincere appreciation to all those council members leaving and a warm and challenging welcome to all new members.

Closing Prayer- "Growing Together in Faith"

Adjournment. 8:26 pm.