

## **St. Timothy Parish Council November Committee Reports**

Because the First Wednesday of November falls on All Saints Day, with the Memorial Celebration for All Souls at 7pm, Father Bolte has recommended that the council not physically meet in November. However, the Executive Committee will still meet as scheduled.

### **Committee Reports**

- Adult Faith – Pat provided the report (report attached)
- Community – Kara to provide
- Diocesan Deanery – Paul provided the report (report attached)
- Education – Kristen provided the report (report attached)
- Finance – No report from Sheryl
- Outreach – Kelli Siracuse provided the Committee's report; Mary Jo provided St. Vincent de Paul report
- Worship – No report - Did not meet in September due to a lack of quorum per Sue

Respectfully submitted, Jenny Yuskewich

## **ADULT FAITH COMMITTEE REPORT – provided by Pat TenBrink**

October 24, 2017

Present at the Meeting: Deacon Dave Philbrick Frank Williams, Chairperson Pat TenBrink, Fr. Ross

Absent: Theresa Collins and Marie Salazar

Special Guest: Katy Sullivan and Sarah Gillum

Meeting opened with a Prayer from Pat

### **Day Retreat**

Msgr. Cleves Mission Day is on a Saturday October 28, 2017. Talk will be on Forgiveness/Mercy.

We will have Continental Breakfast at 9 talk will start at 9:30

We will break for lunch at noon. (Subs from Jersey Mikes) Ordered for 50 people chips and a cookie

More after lunch if needed for more Q and A

### **Advent Wreath Making**

Will be on November 18 in the Parish Center room 3&4 from 9am to 11:30am

Will do signups in Gathering Space on November 4 & 5 and November 11 & 12

All wreaths will be blessed before leaving.

Movie: What is Christmas About.

Have enough supplies for 20 wreaths I found enough garland for 15 more candles for 23 prayers for 28  
Looking to buy enough for 40. What is left over we can offer after mass.

Posted in the Companion and Bulletin and on Facebook

### **Committee Updates**

#### **CHRP**

Men's and Women's Retreat is on hold

#### **RCIA**

Meet in the Parish Center from 9:30 to 11:00 on Sunday Mornings.

#### **HOLY LEAGUE**

Meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month.

September had 12-15 men and boys

#### **MARRIAGE PREP**

No Update

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

No Update

**MOPS**

No Update

**FAMILIA**

Year 1 team has 10 next meeting November 4

**MEN'S GROUP**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month.

**BAPTISM PREP**

November 13 meeting

**REGNUM CHRISTI**

Next Meeting November 8, 2017 Talk on St. Faustina at St. Tim's

**Movie night on**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Day will be played October 25, 2017 at 7pm in Rooms 3 & 4 in the Parish Center Length of movie 1 ½ hours

Restless Heart about St Augustine will be played on November 15, 2017 at 7pm in Rooms 3&4 in the Parish Center. Both movies are from Formed. Length of Movie is 2 ¼ hours

**Blessing of the Pets**

Was very successful at the school and for the parish. Survey showed they want this again next year.

**Mission**

Scott Hahn has been put on hold.

We are all looking at:

Vallimar Jansen – Ken Yasinski – Brandon Vogt

Committee also discussed who to try and bring at the next meeting after they go on line to hear them.

Pat is checking on cost.

**Women's Breakfast**

We have 2 Women's Breakfast Planned

January 20, 2018 Theme "Just Breathe" Finding God in our busy lives.

Doors open at 8:30 breakfast at 9am and talk will start at 9:45. Done by 11am

March 10, 2018 – Mary's Way of the Cross with Adoration and Reconciliation

If this is well attended we will try for the fall of 2018 with a speaker on Human Trafficking.

### **New Business**

#### **Walking With Purpose**

Katy Sullivan and Sarah Gillum came to The Adult Faith Formation Meeting to present Walking With Purpose. Sarah Gillum will be heading up this program. She hopes to get a 6 week program set up for Lent 2018. She will look into ways to help promote this in the Parish. She hopes to hold this during the day. Adult Faith will support in any way we can.

Meeting ended with a prayer from Fr. Ross

**Next Meeting: November 14, 2017 on a Tuesday at 6pm in Room 5**

Respectfully submitted by Patricia TenBrink

## **DIOCESAN DEANERY REPORT – provided by Paul Westhoff**

### **Southwest Deanery DPC Meeting**

#### **Minutes**

**October 19, 2017**

#### **Opening Prayer**

#### **Introductions of Dean/Members**

#### **Discussion on Parish Council Norms**

45 – What does ‘appointed by the pastor’ mean? Can he appoint someone by a vote of the parishioners in an election, or does he select a member from those nominated? Someone was concerned about ‘stacking the deck vs. parish at large’.

78 – There was a lot of discussion on this point. The document says, ‘In the absence of the pastor the council cannot meet’. What does absence mean was the concern. The very next line goes into the fact that if the pastor dies, reigns, or is transferred, and in those things the council is suspended. Would it be better to say ‘vacancy’ instead of ‘absence? There was concern that if the pastor is just on retreat, or vacation, to keep the parish moving forward by the council meeting.

#### **Parish Reports**

St. Joseph/St. Edwards Mission – Had Homecoming event (Mass, meal, party). Very successful. As soon as kids receive Sacraments, they are gone.

St. John Mission (25 family) – not much going on

Immaculate Heart of Mary – Struggle with use of facilities. Discussion at parish about music and modernizing it to possibly attract youth. How do you reach people that ‘need to be entertained’? Discussion on choir and music brought up concern with choir in other parishes and how it is hard to get new, young members.

Christo Rey – 700 families, new families ever Sunday. Hold classes in parking lot. Don’t have enough space.

St. John Carrollton – 1 new member last year, dying parish. Hay Ride in fall. Difficulty paying bills.

#### **Important Dates to Remember**

- **2018 DPC Convocation**

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 9:30am – Noon (Continental Breakfast at 9:00am) at Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium

- **Next Southwest DPC Meeting**

February 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm at All Saints

- **Opening Vespers for Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations**

November 26<sup>th</sup> at Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption at 3:00pm

**Closing Prayer**

## **EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT – provided by Kristen Breig**

### **Education Commission Minutes**

**Wednesday, October 25, 2017**

#### **PSR** -Report from Denise Lorson

- PSR enrollment is 450
  - 83 in the Confirmation program and
  - 75 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Sacrament program.
- Our Parent Reflection night for Confirmation parents was/is this Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup>. (hard to write about it when it hasn't happened, but will have happened before your report goes out )
- The Outreach Agency Day for the Confirmation class was a great event. We had a very large number of parent volunteers, which always makes the day a success. Our only transportation issue was a flat tire at the Welcome house. Now the confirmation classes will begin working on their advertising boards for the Christmas Giving Fair.
- October is a Month of a fifth Sunday - so we will be praying the Rosary before all Mass times on October 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. (hopefully led by students )
- November will be a Youth Greeter Month for Mass, we invite all youth to join us for the greeting.
- The "I Am Special" reconciliation retreat is Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The Confirmation Sponsor Night is Monday November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- First Reconciliation for our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders is Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **PSR Activities**

- online sign ups are now available.

#### **Boy Scouts** -Report from Brian Bold

\*No report yet\*

#### **American Heritage Girls** - Report from Sue Hinkle

\*No report yet\*

#### **Challenge Girls** – Report from Carol Lense

Current Outreach -

- Friday October 20<sup>th</sup> we went to Farm Haven, we had about 35 girls, who helped with shucking corn for the animals that would be pulling hay rides over the weekend. We also mucked the stalls for the animals, picked pumpkins for a display in front of the barn and helped clean tables and chairs. It was a great time, and they treated us to a hay ride at the end. This is one of our favorite outreaches!
- We are hoping to work on a Feed the Need Outreach in November which has the potential to replace our Tea party fundraiser.

#### Retreats

- The high school team leaders had a retreat at the Holy Spirit Center that same weekend. These opportunities to spend time with the consecrated, and grow together in faith are a HUGE part of what makes Challenge such a success.
- On December 8 – 10 our 6<sup>th</sup> graders have a retreat at the Holy Spirit Center

#### Meetings

- We meet this Friday for a regular meeting, where we will review the Gospel together, and then break into our groups (by Grade) – to reflect on the Gospel and do a game/craft etc.
- We meet on November 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> for regular meetings.

#### **Youth Group** -Report from Kelly Wathen

- September was "Respect for Life" Month, and the Youth Group held a volunteer project to sort baby items.
- 5 youth attended the Youth 2000 retreat. One of our St. Timothy youth members was on the core team for this year's retreat. Two of our Youth will be on core team for next year's retreat.
- Agency Day was Monday, October 16th. 8th grade confirmation candidates volunteered for various agencies. And the Youth Group recruited several of the participants to become Youth Group members.
- 10/21/17 - the youth took an outing at Kinman Farms together.
- 10/26/17 - two youth will talk with parents at the Parent's Confirmation Reflection Night about encouraging their 8th graders to participate in the Youth Program.

#### **Cub Scouts Pack 702**- Report from Kristen Breig

- The scouts are finishing up their one fundraiser of the year, selling popcorn.
- Last weekend the scouts went hiking at Big Bone State Park.
- This coming weekend they are passing out grocery bags for the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive.

#### **Conquest** – Report from Jenny Yuskewich



- St. Timothy has initiated a Conquest Club for boys. Conquest is a Catholic Youth Ministry program and is the Challenge equivalent for boys in grades 5-8. Like Challenge, the goal of Conquest is to help kids grow in their Catholic faith, friendship with Christ, and make a difference and positive impact on their families, friends and the world around them.
- Phil, Cherye, and Noah Morgan along with Jenny Yuskewich have been involved with getting the club started. The first meeting was held October 12. We are still working at garnering interest as the numbers are still lower than expected.

Education Commission for 2017-2018 School Year Representation

- PSR- Denise Lorson
- Cub Scouts- Kristen Breig
- Troop 702- Brian Bold
- Challenge Girls- Carol Lense
- American Heritage Girls- Sue Hinkle
- Youth Group- Kelly Wathen
- Conquest- Jenny Yuskewich

Respectfully Submitted by Kristen Breig

Next Education Commission Meeting: Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m. in the Parish Center

## **OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT – provided by Kelli Siracuse**

Outreach Minutes

October 12, 2017

Present: Katy Sullivan, Mary Jo Rehtin, Jerry Auton, Debbie Murray, Kelli Siracuse, Marta Kroger, Donna Potts Absent: Kris Lawler, Rebecca Hill

Meeting was opened with a prayer

September minutes approved by Marta Kroger second by Mary Jo Rehtin

Mary Rose Mission: Time we work will be changing in November, served 80-100 people, still have some volunteer issues

St Vincent de Paul: Discussed envelope in pew/with monthly envelopes and will continue to address, ½ the preschool bags from the November food drive will go to SVDP

Family Promise: We will host week of Nov 12th, we have all the drivers and people to spend the night, still need some families to make dinner; families came for Oktoberfest and had a great time

RA Jones: Tutoring starts 10/19, we have 4 tutors (3 returning and 1 new) tutors can come when they're available, 2 days/week on Tues and Thurs

November Grant Recipient: Diocesan Children's Home - they will be here the weekend of 11/11 & 11/12 to speak at Masses, waiting on a date for the service project to be completed for decorating the facility for Christmas

Baby Shower: Very good response, lots of items donated and many new faces there for sorting and delivering

Thanksgiving Food Drive: Discussed possibility of a "can roll" at school, tags will be given out at Masses

the last weekend of October to collect on 11/4 & 11/5, we will sort and deliver on Sun 11/5, will also have to opportunity to donate to a gift card for turkey/ham, the Knights of Columbus will be doing their coat drive the same weekend

Christmas Giving Tree: Marta and two new parishioners will run the drive, we will implement the Amazon gift list, tags will be out on last weekend of November

Youth Representative: still looking, Rebecca said she knows someone

School Representative: By law change was deferred to next month

Goal setting: Parish is possibly purchasing a program, Flock Note, to send out group emails

Mission Week: Met with about 15 kids from youth group, they are very excited, would prefer to stay closer to home rather than go far away, they are working on fundraising ideas

Ed Colina: funds from 2016 being used now to build new school, still discussing what to use 2017 funds on - either St. Therese outpost or new children's center for disabled, abused, and neglected children, revised total is \$6300.00

Confirmation Day of Service: Monday 10/16

Will have second collection on 10/14 & 10/15 for Hurricane Maria

Next meeting: 11/9

Meeting closed with a prayer

**OUTREACH - St. Vincent de Paul Society – provided by Mary Jo  
St. Timothy Conference, Union, Ky.**

**Date: 2 October 2017**

**Time: 7:00 p.m.**

**Location: St. Timothy Brodnick Hall**

**Attendees:** Bill Anderson                      Bill Saalfeld                      Bob Kloss                      Steve Wilmhoff      Mike Vogt  
Barbara Nowak Mary Ann Burns              Sheryl Wood      Don Forman                      Jim Volz      Pat Spicuzza  
Jerry Glen                      Glenn Taylor      Deacon Pete

Christy Gross

- Deacon Pete led us with the opening prayer and shared the gospel reflection for the coming week encouraging participation and insight.
- Bob Kloss shared this month's Financial Report. With the recent gift from the YMCA summer campers we are quite solvent. Bob stressed the importance of clarity in check requests and reporting Remke Certificate usage accurately. There have been some holes in the Remke voucher list on who received the certificates. Recommendation is to enter the potential user in pencil if you are unsure of whether you are going to provide the certificate. If a check or payment is required, please communicate to Bob, Jim or Bill when it is needed to avoid shut offs or evictions.
- Don indicated that we are experiencing some shortages in the Food Pantry. We discussed a number of alternatives including:
  - Meeting with Father Bolte the beginning of December to improve our parish support and lay out our 3 year pillar plan. Suggestions beyond those already mentioned here are welcome
  - Communicating our need through the bulletin and adding priestly support from the alter
  - Obtaining additional support from the Thanksgiving food collection.
  - Praying for support again this year from St Xavier High School
  - Don recommended in the future that we separate weeks the coat collection is communicated from the Thanksgiving food collection which Katie agreed was a very good idea to avoid burdening the parish. Parish food support has improved, but needs to increase even further. Our shelves are currently empty of canned meat (tuna, chicken, ham etc), beef stew, chili, sloppy joe's, pork and beans, mashed potatoes, jam, shampoo and clothes detergent.
- We deferred presenting a Thanksgiving/Christmas collection plan until we spoke to Katy about her time line. As a result, Katy and I discussed how best to handle the Holidays. While we have never denied families in need in the past, we always seem to encounter a few last minute requests. Katie asked for delivery of Christmas wish lists by November 12<sup>th</sup> so they are ready for the Angel Tree by November 26<sup>th</sup>. She expanded the Thanksgiving

food request list. We'd like to know who needs Thanksgiving dinners by November 12<sup>th</sup> as well. We can't promise presents for requests received after December 3<sup>rd</sup> and for Thanksgiving requests after the 16<sup>th</sup> of November. It doesn't mean we won't take the request, but we can't promise filling the request after those dates. For Christmas lists left with recipients, have them trifold the list and tape or staple it, and put Katy's address on the outside and provide a stamp. Address to:

Katy Sullivan, Outreach Director  
St Timothy's Parish  
10272 Hwy 42, Box 120  
Union, KY 41091

- Marta Kroger will work with Katy to certify (clarify if necessary) and tabulate our lists.
- Bill Saalfeld shared with us the ongoing situation with a client and her 8 year old daughter. She revealed to Bill that her daughter reported that her step dad was abusing her. As the story unfolded it appeared that no one believed her and the situation was going to fall through the cracks. As we found out later, someone reported the situation to CYS and they took all the children away from the mother, based on an interview with her daughter. The mother is still looking to separate from her mate and work to get her family back together.
  - What we need to take away from this situation is:
    - It's much more difficult to report abuse when we are personally involved.
    - Virtus reminds us monthly that we don't need to analyze or prove the facts, just report the abuse when observed or reported to us.
    - If abuse is reported, CYS/Cabinet for Families will investigate and take action quickly
    - The person reporting the abuse will be protected and never revealed
    - There is no reason for not reporting abuse and we leave the child/person unprotected and at risk when we delay reporting.
  - The group was in agreement that further help to this mom should be withheld until the situation with her daughter and her significant other is resolved.
  - Deacon Pete supported our strategy and indicated this was an important lesson for everyone working with children and adults.
- The closing prayer was led by Deacon Pete and centered on those who had been affected by tornados, floods, fires and hurricanes and special prayers for the Leardon family and their son who had recently had a stroke.
- The next meeting is scheduled for November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m. in Brodnick Hall.
- Refreshments and discussions followed.
- **Fall Ozanam Training** – Saturday, October 21st at IHM, 9:00 to 2:30, Deacon Mike Lyman and Dennis Coyne are presenting. Everyone who has attended has offered glowing reviews of this training. It really supports you in many ways. Contact Deacon Mike Lyman, [deaconmikelyman1@gmail.com](mailto:deaconmikelyman1@gmail.com) , 859-806-4440 for reservations
- Save the Date - **SVDP One Day Fall Retreat** – Saturday, October 28th at St Anne Retreat Center. Contact Deacon Mike Lyman, [deaconmikelyman1@gmail.com](mailto:deaconmikelyman1@gmail.com), 859-806-4440 for reservations. This is a free retreat that will Include; Vincentian renewal, Spiritual renewal, prayer, meditation, adoration, reconciliation, Mass, servant leadership. Last year this retreat was

praised by all as a rich, rewarding day of renewal. The Holy Spirit is anticipating your participation.....

- 10th Annual **Turkeyfoot Trot** - 5K Run/Walk 2017, Saturday, November 11th, 2017, 9:00 AM starting and ending at St Barbara Parish, Sign up, assist and encourage participation. Your Conference benefits and receives direct funding. Sponsors, runners (walkers) and supporters are all needed.
- **Virtus Training:** Check for a date that fits your schedule
- **Call Center Training and Familiarization** – 8:30-10:00. If you haven't had a call center orientation as yet (or even if you have), I highly recommend attending this brief, but informative session which has recently been updated. Contact Margaret Rahn, Victoria Peterson or Carolyn Ashcraft to arrange a date convenient for you

Respectfully submitted,  
*William A Anderson*  
*For Lois*