

Minutes of St. Casimir Parish Council Meeting January 19, 2017, following adjournment of the joint Parish Council meeting with St. Patrick's (prepared by Dyann Klemann)

Members Present: Fr. Mike Powell, Deb Bles, Kathy Domeier, Ray Gorski, Julie Morales, Cindy Pasiuk, Cathy Rajtar

Minutes of the November 15, 2016, meeting were approved with one correction in the Liturgy paragraph line 4, replace "Lent" with the word "Advent."

A request was made that the agenda reflect the dates of upcoming meetings. Those dates were given: 3/14/17, 4/11/17, 5/9/17. No February, 2017, meeting is scheduled, but one can be added if needed.

Feast of St. Casimir and Oblates' 100th Anniversary Mass March 5, 2017: We are pleased to have Bishop Roger Schwietz coming to celebrate the polka mass for the feast. The Knights of Columbus Council #4374 will put on a pancake breakfast following the mass in the St. Casimir school cafeteria, 927 E. Jessamine Ave. The breakfast will include all-you-can-eat pancakes, with sausages, fresh scrambled eggs, cheesy potatoes, orange juice, coffee or milk. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The council has agreed that the cost for the breakfast will be: adults \$8, children 6-12 \$5, children 5 and under are free, and family rate is \$25. Take out is available. The Knights of Columbus sell tickets for the event.

Cindy Pasiuk has the names and addresses of priests who served at St. Casimir's in the past, and she will send printed invitations to them, those who are local, or in Buffalo, or who served in recent times (for example, Father Jim Deegan, Father Harry, Father Lon, Father Bob Morin, Father Greg Gallagher, etc.) She will include "save the date" information concerning the 125th Anniversary of St. Casimir's in December of 2017. Additional details of the pancake breakfast arrangements will need to be worked out. Sue Vanyo was contacted by Kathy Domeier during the meeting to ask for her input. Sue has offered the youth to help serve the breakfast on March 5, but youth would not be in charge of the event and adults would need to be working along with them. Parish volunteers would be needed to help set up the tables (about 15 round tables seating about 7 each and some 6 foot tables from the ushers closet), put on table cloths and placemats, etc., assist with cooking if the Knights are short-handed (this happened last year), help serve along with the youth volunteers, clean up after the breakfast. Head tables would need to be set up for special guest attendees. Someone would welcome everyone, and a presentation by some of those guests should be made during the breakfast. Sue Vanyo and Tony Young have experience from prior pancake breakfasts that could help us know how best to prepare for the event. Ray Gorski offered to help set up for the breakfast on Saturday morning, March 4 at 10 a.m. Sign-up sheets for helpers should be used to get more volunteers. Perhaps Christina could submit something to the Catholic Spirit about the event. This provides an opportunity to highlight some information about the parish.

Kathy Domeier advised that Friday March 3 is the Altar and Rosary fish fry, and that left over desserts could be offered for sale at the breakfast. Kathy suggested that our St. Casimir Church ad in the East Sider newspaper needs to be made to stand out more, the print perhaps needs to be bolder as the ad seems faint and is not easily noticed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.