

St. Columba Parish Pastoral Council Minutes – March 3, 2016

Attendance:

Present: Anne Baarck, Mike Weinhofer, Al Cavallini, Msgr. Lawrence, Carmen LaMacchia, Bill Harding, Robert Marande, Alicia King Redfern, Diane Hale

Excused: Suzanne Haile, Nancy Ramhap, Lori Harding, Rose Rhoads, Eric Wolf

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with the Reading of the Gospel of Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 for Sunday, discussion and prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting (February 4, 2016) were approved by consensus.

Pastor's Report

- Collection Comparison for Fiscal Year - 2015 - 2016 – 36 weeks. The difference is (\$10,268)

JANUARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Fiscal YTD Income as of 1/31/16		
<u>Actual</u>	<u>7/12 Budget</u>	<u>Over (under) Budget</u>
\$1,010,714	\$817,073	\$193,641
Total Fiscal YTD Expenditures as of 1/31/16		
<u>Actual</u>	<u>7/12 Budget</u>	<u>Over (under) Budget</u>
\$1,034,829	\$816,320	\$218,509
Beginning cash balance 7/1/15		\$ 14,179
Income exceeded expenditures 1/31/16		(\$ 24,115)
Ending cash balance 1/31/16		(\$ 9,936)

- Savings Accounts now at the Diocese at the end of

	<u>12/31/15</u>	<u>1/31/16</u>
a. Capital Expenditure	\$ 242	\$ 242
b. St. Columba Parish Savings	\$ 569	\$ 570
c. St. Columba School - School Savings	\$ 38,733	\$ 38,783
d. St. Columba School - Tuition Assistance	\$ 9,289	\$ 9,301
- Lenten Appeal Assessment for 2015 - 2016 was \$82,600; \$76,695 was pledged by parishioners. The parish paid \$992.
- Next year's Lenten Appeal Assessment is \$83,700. As of 2/29/16:

<u>Amount pledged</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Paying Now</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u># of Givers</u>
\$41,449.13	49.5%	\$30,359.13	\$11,090.00	177
- Parish Penance Service – March 15th
- Holy Week Schedule was sent in the February mailing
- We are waiting to hear back from the attorney for the town about what we need to do to complete the parking lot where we razed the house.
- This week, the chimney fell off of the back of one of the houses on Third St. Attorney Luschas will contact the town to see if we can tear down both properties on Third St. We will collect bids for the project. The main concern is to make sure the house is safe while it is still standing. As this project has been moved up due to unforeseen circumstances, the parish may need to incur some debt to complete it.

Liaison Reports

School Report: Robert Marande.

- Fundraising is on target and doing well. The Annual Gift Campaign is at \$19,050 the goal is \$23,000, please be generous. Leprechaun Loop is March 12th. This will be an enjoyable event, come and have some fun. The weather will be great that day.

- This week is Read Across America Week, our upper Middle School students did read to the students in the elementary grades. Forensic team will be giving presentations to K-6 grades.
- Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 10:00am will be 1st Reconciliation. Also all students participate in the Stations of the Cross every Friday during lent besides Friday morning Mass.
- Friday, March 4th is the end of the 2nd trimester. Board of Education will meet Monday, March 7th, at 6:00pm in the Parish Center.
- Also on March 7th, will be screening for Kindergarten for the upcoming school year. So far we have 14 registered.
- We are experiencing a lot of interest in students transferring to St. Columba now and also for the fall. Holy Family 5th grade is coming on March 9th for an open house. Hopefully we will be able to recruit a few students.
- Both our boys and girls basketball teams won their championships.
- Eight grade students have been helping out at the Food Cupboard.
- So far we have only used two snow days.

Legion of Mary: Anne Baarck

The last meeting of the Legion of Mary was held on Feb 23rd. The remaining member will join the Sunbury Legion of Mary.

Old Business

None

New Business

The Nomination and Election Committee will be Anne Baarck and Diane Hale. They will provide Msgr and the council with a list of nominations. The election will occur in May.

Dates for this year's meetings are:

March 31, 2016

June 2, 2016

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. with prayer led by Msgr. Lawrence. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Maximilian Kolbe Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi Brown, Pastoral Council Secretary