

Immaculate Conception Catholic Parish  
Parish council Meeting Minutes  
August 22, 2012

The meeting was called to order by chair, Steve Mullins, at 7:05 pm Fr. Fred led us in prayer.

**Members present:** Steve Mullins, Joe Fields, Bob Mantei, Mary Robinson, Tony Karl, and Larry Mantei.

**Staff present:** Fr. Fred Bayler, Cindy Fields, Cheryle Pfeffer, Bob Barnard

**Visitors present:** Shannon Christensen.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes for July 18, 2012:** The minutes were amended and approved by consensus.

**Approval of the meeting agenda for August 22, 2012:** The agenda was approved by consensus.

### **Staff Reports**

*Community Service/ Cindy Fields*-Hotdog sales for Golden Days brought in a total of \$893.31. Expenses were only \$16.90 since we had many generous donations of supplies. The Soup Kitchen is going well. There has been a decrease in volunteers but some scouts came to help. Paulette Russell is leaving in October. Cindy has a lead on a new cook. He will start helping this weekend. 180 meals were served last weekend. There was plenty of food but no leftovers. God is good! There has been a problem with the freezer but we didn't lose any product. The venting may have been off and the freezer room was too hot. The freezer is working now. Golf teams have been set up for our first Golf Tournament fundraiser. Cindy has a new position as the Diocese Outreach Coordinator. That will take 25% of her time. Congratulation to Cindy!

*Religious Education/Fr. Fred*-Fr. Fred will meet with parents and other interested people on Thursday to discuss RE. We are still looking for an RE coordinator.

*Maintenance* - Fr. Fred reported that the siding is behind schedule but is going up well. The roof will be replaced over the addition section of the church.

*Fundraising Committee Report*- Steve reminded the council to start selling the Christmas cards now. Cheryle reported that we are out of cookbooks but we have 29 large and 6 small prints and many postcards of ICC available to sell now. The sample of the replica Processional Cross was reviewed and needs some more work.

*Liturgical Committee* -Fr. Fred reported that we are ordering 120 new Journey Songs hymnals. They have the new Mass settings. Donation plates will be available to put in the books to help defray the cost.

### **Old Business**

Harvest Festival- Larry Mantei will mow the grass at the Dog Musher's Hall. We will have a potluck for side dishes. Earl Hughes will provide the music. We will put a donation bucket out to help defray the cost.

### **New Business**

Fr. Fred reported that Chuck will be out of town for two weeks in September. He would like to see the parish council meetings be less about business and more about strategy and direction to better meet the needs of the parish. Cindy suggested having a volunteer appreciation time or a ministry fair to meet and greet people and get more people involved.

Shannon reported that she is on the Diocesan Road System Regional Council. Representatives from each parish meet twice a year with Bishop Kettler. The next meet for that is Sept. 22, 2012 at St. Nicholas.

**Member Comments**

Bob Mantei expressed interest in leading a Coming Home program at Christmas and Easter time. It is different than the Landings program. Larry expressed interest in helping with that.

Mary wondered if a Hospitality Committee was being formed because a parishioner asked her to bring it up at the meeting. Shannon and Cindy said that they are working on it.

Steve reported that Little Flower Ministries received a construction permit for their radio ministry.

Next meeting September 19, 2012

Fr. Fred led a closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned 8:35 pm.

Submitted by Mary Robinson  
Parish Council Secretary