**Parish Council Meeting Minutes**

**Immaculate Conception Church**

**Mattoon, IL - May 4, 2021**

**In attendance:** Fr. John, Deacon Gene, Carla Will, Dick Considine, Rosa Olvera, June Kriesel, Jan Wetzel, Garic Lawrence, Chris Logue, Chase Rich, Denise Cooling, Pam Wright

**Absent:** Todd Farris, Ella Farris, Hallie Niemerg, Tina Smith, Cameron Bianco,

**Opening Prayer:** Chris Logue

**Hospitality**

Social Committee:

* Coffee & Donuts on the Plaza after the following Masses:

June 6th – after 10:30 AM & 5 PM (not after 8 AM due to Corpus Christi Procession)

July 4th – after 8 AM & 10:30 AM Masses

August 1 – after 8 AM & 10:30 AM Masses

* VBS: Serving refreshments
* Assisting with Sunday, August 15th, Ice Cream Social, which will follow the 5 PM Mass.

Knights of Columbus:

* Raffle will start around July 1st and conclude September 11, 2021.
* Casino Night planned for Saturday, October 9th.

Thursday Night at the Movies:

“Roe v. Wade” Movie Night will be May 20th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Cinco de Mayo/Pentecose

* Saturday, May 1st, Cinco de Mayo fundraiser for our Sister Parish was a GREAT SUCCESS with more than $2,000 raised. Thank you to Rosa Olvera and friends for all their hard work.
* Saturday, May 22nd, will be a bilingual celebration for Pentecost. A community from Denver will come to participate, all are welcome.

**Formation**

COVID-19 Updates

* Tape has been removed from pews in church.
* Precious Blood will not be offered at this time.
* Altar Rail will begin use Corpus Christi weekend. Parishioners may kneel or stand at the rail for Communion.
* Pew cushions will be returned to the front 2 pews.

Confirmation & First Communion:

Five students were Confirmed and received First Holy Communion and one Middle School student received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, May 2nd.

Nursing Homes:

Nursing homes are now allowing visits to our parishioners.

Mattoon Deanery:

Parish Council and Finance Council Members are invited to a Mattoon Deanery meeting with Katie Price, Director of the Center for Discipleship and Stewardship, at St. Charles Borromeo Parish Center on Thursday, May 13th at 7 PM. Implementations of changes to ACSA and transitioning to a Season of Stewardship this July.

Silver Star Skate Center:

Family fun night at the skating rink on Sunday, May 23rd from 6-9 PM. All are welcome.

Independence Day Parade:

The 4th of July is on a Sunday, so parade will be on Saturday the 3rd, Immaculate Conception Parish Van will be parked on Western Avenue and all are welcome to walk.

Mette Family Band:

They are looking for locations to perform and have been invited to have a performance outside on the new Immaculate Conception parking lot this summer.

HSYG Mission Trip:

July 11-14 in Auxier, KY.

HSYG Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser:

Sunday, June 13th in the Parish Center, a fundraiser for the Mission Trip. Fr. Adam Prichard has donated a bicycle to be raffled at the supper.

**New Business**

Parking Lot: Near completion.

Sealant: Sealant on Church building most likely in July, during the driest time of the year.

**August Meeting***:* August 10th, 2021, @ 6:30 PM in Parish Center.

Prayer Assignment: