

# Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

## Immaculate Conception Church

Mattoon, IL – October 12, 2021

**In attendance:** Fr. John, Carla Will, June Kriesel, Jan Wetzel, Ella Farris, Rosa Olvera, Deacon Gene, Dick Considine

**Absent:** Chase Rich, Denise Cooling, Todd Farris, Tina Smith, Cameron Bianco, Garic Lawrence, Pam Wright, Chris Logue, Hallie Niemerg

**Opening Prayer:** Carla Will

September 2021 Minutes Approved.

### Hospitality

#### Social Committee

- Social Committee has upcoming meeting to discuss the following possible activities: Weenie Roast, Christmas Cookie Exchange, All Saints Costume Party.

#### Knights of Columbus

- Casino Night was a successful evening.
- Blood Drive: Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM in the Parish Center.

#### Thursday Night at the Movies:

“Love is a Choice: The Life of St. Gianna Beretta Molla” - 6:30 PM, November 11.

### Formation

#### PSR / Family of Faith

Family of Faith is a great success! Parents are learning along with their children. Meeting twice per month, first for Family Catechesis and second for Family Solidarity. Positive feedback from families.

#### Confirmation/First Communion

8 Confirmation/First Communion students and 4 Confirmation students to receive the sacraments on Saturday, November 5, 2022, at the Cathedral in Springfield.

#### Adult Education Offerings

- “Psalms: The School of Prayer”

Begins Thursday, September 9, 2021, @ 9:30 AM in PC.

- “Wisdom: God’s Vision for Life”

Begins Thursday, January 6, 2022, @ 9:30 AM in PC.

- “No Greater Love: A Walk Through Christ’s Passion”

Begins Thursday, March 3, 2022, @ 9:30 AM in PC.

### Saint Luke Production

A live production of “Maximilian: Saint of Auschwitz” is coming to the Immaculate Center Parish Center on Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. St. Max will be performed by Leonardo DeFilippis. Free-Will Offering.

### IC HI

- Good attendance at the Life Chain event in Sullivan on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- NCYC – National Catholic Youth Conference. 15 high school students attending the conference in Indianapolis November 18-20<sup>th</sup>.

### Pro-Life Formation

Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center.

- Mike Spencer, Pro-Life Speaker, will provide knowledge to high school and college students and equip them with how to discuss pro-life with their peers and friends. All Mattoon Deanery high school students invited.

### Parish Retreat

“Faith First...The Eucharist Our Source and Summit” – check upcoming bulletins for information. Hope the fruit of the retreat will lead to small group experiences.

Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup> @ St. Columcille

Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> @ Immaculate Conception

### Spanish Language Offerings

Spanish Language Retreat

- Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – Guest speaker is Father Salvadore Gonzalez.

Tamales Demonstration

- Rosa Olvera will be making tamales in the Parish Center at 4 PM on Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. All are invited to learn how to make them.

### New Business

- St. Mary House – Mattoon’s own St. Hedwig House.

The first St. Mary House board meeting will be Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. The house that is currently on the property will be demolished soon. St. Mary House Newsletter is in the works.

- Parish Pictorial Directory

June Kriesel report: Color Craft, based out of Alabama, will create our next pictorial directory in the Summer of 2022. Contract will also include mobile directory.

## Projects

### Rectory Repairs

- Plumbing leak from upstairs bathroom into the dining room has been fixed. Dining room now has new ceiling with crown molding restored. Original hard wood floor has been refinished. Carpet has also been removed in some of the upstairs rooms, hardwood will be refinished.

### Church Security

- Security cameras to be installed in church for monitoring in the rectory. Software will record for 48 hours. One camera recording the altar and the other recording church entrance.

### Roof Repairs/Sealing

- Sealing has begun but may take time due to weather.

**Next Meeting:** November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, @ 6:30 PM in Parish Center.

Prayer Assignment: Deacon Gene