

Pastoral Council Meeting  
August 7, 2017  
Minutes

**Present:** Members: Cathy Burlison, David Neu, Elizabeth Licitra, Betty Chrestenson, Joan Butler, and Ruth Licitra.

Staff: Judy Cooney, Fr. Ed Hislop, Sr. Mary Jo Quinn, and Deacon Ron Butler.

Fr. Ed asked Ruth to send the minutes to Carol in the office for distribution to the Council as many members did not receive the minutes.

Rita was not present at the meeting. Sr. Mary Jo and Fr. Ed ran the meeting.

**1. Gathering Prayer:** There was no Gathering Prayer.

**2. Additions to the Agenda:** There was no call for Additions to the Agenda.

**3a. Picnic with Grace Methodist:** Sr. Mary Jo reported that the picnic with Grace Methodist will be held Sunday, August 20, 2017 at Franklin Park. Grace will hold their worship in the park while Blessed Trinity will join them after Mass has been celebrated. Blessed Trinity will provide drinks. Sr. Mary Jo will make sure that the drinks are at the park. Fr. Ed will follow up on sending a postcard to all parishioners reminding them of the picnic. Fr. Ed will also announce the picnic at all Masses for the next two Sundays.

**3b. Parish Picnic:** The Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 24, 2017. The neighborhood will be invited. Betty went to the Franklin to the Fort neighborhood meeting. (We are a part of the Franklin to the Fort neighborhood.) Betty shared her name and Blessed Trinity's number with the neighborhood leadership. There is also a neighborhood website. She proposed that we print up a flyer to deliver door to door inviting everyone to the picnic. Perhaps we could find some youth to help with the delivery—maybe Loyola? We could have people who would represent the different ministries that Blessed Trinity provides to explain what is available e.g.: our work through Family Promise and No Room at the Inn. David suggested that the flyer delivery team be organized into districts. The flyers could be punched and rubber banded so they could be hung from doorknobs. Sr. Mary Jo suggested music and has a group with whom she will follow through. It was suggested that could rent a bounce house. Blessed Trinity would provide hamburgers and hot dogs. **The Pastoral Council affirmed their willingness to follow through on this picnic.** Sr. Mary Jo also suggested that we could advertise through Garden City Harvest (parent of the Garden of Eaton). We will need to clean up the yard before the Picnic; we could have a Grub Sunday on Sunday, September 17, 2017. **Sr. Mary Jo will coordinate the announcement in the Bulletin. Judy and Betty will coordinate the Parish Picnic.**

**4. Feast of the Assumption Ice Cream Social:** There will be an Ice Cream Social after the 7pm Mass for the Feast of the Assumption. Sr. Mary Jo will get the supplies from a list she will compile from last year's receipts. Our goal is to set up multiple stations so that the lines move quickly. **Betty, Elizabeth, and Joan will scoop ice cream. David will organize a clean up crew.**

**5. No Room at the Inn (NRATI):** NRATI will be held December 8<sup>th</sup> thru 10<sup>th</sup> this year. The next meeting of the NRATI committee is Thursday, August 24, 2017 at 7 pm at Blessed Trinity. The Mass of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be held Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm and on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:10 pm.

**6. MaintainRenewImagine (MRI) Update:** Carl should have the cost estimates this week. After the estimates have been received, there will be a meeting of the steering committee. Next steps would include creating subcommittees including a fundraising subcommittee.

All of the painting on the Church building has been done except the tower. The tower needs to be repaired. Fr. Ed's house is will be painted after the Church building is completed. The gutter replacement project is under contract. Wiring will need to be put into the downspouts for the heating elements to reduce ice build up on the north (office) side of the building.

**7. St. Joseph Principal Christina McGill:** St. Joseph School's new principal Christina McGill will be at Blessed Trinity and Spirit of Christ on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Pastoral Council will be held on **Monday, September 11, 2017 at 7pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth Licitra

August 21, 2017