

St Michael Parish Standard Committee Meeting Minutes

November 28, 2022

Undercroft

Present: Jake Asuncion, Susan Bakhshi, Martha Bogue, Joe Fiala, Kris Jesse, Father Lumpe, Elaine Miracle and Joe Soller

Regrets: Deacon Crerand, Bethany Cook, Greg Daniel, Deacon Demidovich, Brett Gissel, Rebecca Lund, Sister Mary Regina, Jessica Schmitt, Liz Trolli, Seth Walker, Mallory Waldmiller and Gabe Wollum

Opening Prayer – Father Lumpe

Pastor Report – Father Lumpe

- Mass attendance is increasing. Currently, the 5:00 p.m. Sunday evening Mass attendance is eclipsing the 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning Mass attendance.
- After the first of the year, the Parish will hold a Ministry Fair. This will hopefully help encourage more lectors, ushers and Eucharist Ministers especially for the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass.
- Father asks that any ministry that uses a QR code to share information about their events, etc. to also provide handouts with the same information. This will ensure all parishioners are able to access the information.

Chairperson Report – Martha Bogue

- The outdoor Christmas decorating will take place on Saturday December 16th. The indoor Christmas decorating will take place on Sunday December 24th after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The Christmas decorations will be taken down on Sunday January 14th after the 12:30 p.m. Mass.
- A weekly Eucharist Revival will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. beginning on January 23rd and ending on March 5th. It will have a similar set up as last year's Rescue Project. Dinner and childcare will be provided. The cost will be approximately \$40. The parish is looking for 20 table discussion facilitators for this event.

Standing Members Report

- Youth Ministry Jake Asuncion
 - St. Michael Youth Ministry along with the St. Brendan Youth Ministry will be going on a mission trip to Cranks Creek, Kentucky December 21 23rd. They hope to serve between 700-800 people food and gifts for Christmas.

Appointed Members Reports

- Boy Scouts Joe Soller
 - The Christmas wreaths orders are in and will be distributed at Mass this weekend. Also this weekend, the Boy Scouts will be hosting Friendship Sundays after Mass.



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- St. Vincent DePaul Elaine Miracle
 - 70 families have been adopted by the parish for the Adopt a Family program for Christmas. On Saturday December 9th, the gifts will be dropped off and distributed to the families.
- Adoration Greg Daniel
 - o See attachment
- Cub Scouts Greg Wollum
 - See attachment
- Respect Life Mallory Waldmiller
 - o See Attachment

Closing Prayer – Father Lumpe

Next Meeting Dates:

January 25, 2024 February 22, 2024

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Bakhshi, Secretary



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Adoration:

We continue to administer Eucharistic Adoration on a week by week basis and there is always an hour or two with which we struggle to have coverage during Eucharistic Exposition. On Thursday night, November 16th, we reposed at 9:00 PM because the adorers who covered the midnight to 5:00 AM hours were ill, and finding subs for those hours is almost impossible. It seems that any interruptions--power outages, ice storms and illnesses--occur on Thursday nights!! We did not have Eucharistic Exposition on Thanksgiving Day and the day after, which gave adorers a chance to travel for the long weekend. Although some adorers notified me that they would be traveling, most did not, so I spent a good part of Friday adjusting the schedule for those who did not keep their usual commitments. After we get past the First Sunday of Advent, I will confer with Father Mike about the chapel schedule between Christmas and the New Year.

Cub Scouts:

-We gathered over 350 food items at our November pack meeting as part of Scouting for Food, and donated to St. Vincent de Paul.

-Our Pinewood Derby is scheduled for Jan 20th, with setup the evening of Jan 19th. Rebecca/Liz - do those dates still work? (I submitted a request a while ago via the new online system but haven't heard back)

-Planning is underway for our February Blue & Gold banquet, the evening of 2/24. We'll submit the request for usage of the cafeteria through the new online system.

Respect Life Ministry:

- Election update: HUGE thank you to those who worked so hard to get the vote out with phone calls, neighborhood canvassing, and other grassroots efforts! (Shout out to Sean Murray, Mike LaMorte and crew!). Very sad day of defeat for our state and the reality is, we should expect things to get worse. Pope Francis has indicated our new liturgical year- the Year of Grace- as a year of PRAYER. We need to double down our efforts here and pray about where the Lord is calling us to serve His little ones. Practically, we can expect the amendment to take effect 30 days post-election. There are some litigation efforts in the works against certain aspects of the amendment within the pro-life community, but for our part, we should continue to pray and to walk with women and families in need if they are experiencing unplanned/crisis pregnancies, and be vocal in support of life at every opportunity. Other logistics-- if you helped put out yard signs, it is much appreciated if you took those down that you helped place. These may be saved and reused (new plastic sleeves and campaign will be forthcoming), or the pieces can be recycled.