

Parish Council Minutes  
Tuesday, October 26, 2010  
St. Patrick Hall

- **Fr. Kavanaugh opened with prayer**
- **Minutes were distributed**
  - A change was made on page 3-Bicentennial-
    - A trust fund is being set-up for funds from the Beyond the Bicentennial
  - Minutes approved
- **Building/Grounds-LeRoy Williams/Dick Stuhler**
  - Ask parishioners to report anything that needs attention
  - Painting/Glazing of windows trim at the Church
    - Trees/Hollies are in the way
      - Trees to be shaped
      - Gary Garner knows about trees (Kurt Eyrich)
      - Justin Hazen is a parishioner and does this for a living (Barbara Kiernan)
    - Hydraulic lift/scaffolding/scissor lift needed to reach the height
  - Rectory is also in need of repair
  - The convent owned by Joyce Culpepper was willed to MHT
    - Will be deeded to the parish in six months
    - House is in good condition
    - \$170k tax appraisal
  - Rental of St. Patrick Hall for wedding receptions
    - People do not clean up
      - Could have a large refundable deposit
      - Could have caterers only recommended by the parish
- **Education-IC School-Michele Hill/JoAnn Cook**
  - 96 Students
    - 36 Catholic
    - 34 MHT parishioners
  - IC hosted a yardsale/carnival on Oct. 9, 2010
    - \$2394 profit
    - A lot of great donation items
  - Fundraisers
    - Poinsettia/Wreath Sales
      - Biggest Fundraiser for the school
      - \$20 each
  - Alumni
    - Met Oct. 11, 2010
    - Fourteen people attended
    - Meet/Greet on Nov. 12 at 7pm
      - Everyone is bringing something

- Robert Reid is the entertainment
  - 200 letters have gone out to alumni
  - First major fundraiser is possible
    - Car Raffle
    - Still in planning stages
- **Education-Rebecca Quinn Shelt (MHT)**
  - Multi-media youth contest with the diocese
  - Madrid World Youth Day
    - Info at the education office
  - Spooky to be Hungry
    - No food dispensers yet
  - Changes/Challenges
    - Family Honor Program
      - Certification
        - Costly
        - Timely
      - OLP uses as 6<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum
        - OLP will allow MHT to participate
        - No charge to MHT
  - Stewardship-Not just for adults
    - Giving Envelopes
      - Saints on the envelops
      - Has Time, Talent and Treasure
  - Confirmation
    - 50% of parents attended meeting
    - Large packet was distributed
    - Confirmation go to Youth Ministry to events
    - Check list in packets for requirements for Confirmation
    - Using the term “mentor” instead of “sponsor”
    - Date has not been set by Bishop yet
  - Virtus Training
    - Nov. 4
    - Facilitator at MHT in 6-9 months
    - Spanish Virtus at St. Joe on Wednesday, Oct. 27.
  - CC &C w/ Tom Valois
    - Good crowd
  - Wednesday Night Programs
    - Please attend!
  - Catholiccomehome.org
    - ALL must be involved
    - Nov. 3-information night after dinner

- **Christian Services-Barbara Hicks**
  - Care for the Troops
    - Non-denominational organization
    - Cares for soldier, spouse, kids, and family
    - National Guard and Armed Services
    - A letter of approval by Bishop Gregory
    - Is Wounded Warriors in Augusta an option?
      - Barbara Kiernan said Tom Kiernan is involved with Fisher House
      - Barbara Hicks will look into Wounded Warriors
  
- **Liturgy-Amy Peduto (no report)**
  - Question about Latin Mass
    - Still in the works
    - Probably won't happen in 2010
  
- **Parish Life-Rebecca Quinn Shelt**
  - Volunteers for nursery are needed
  - Help is needed for Lord's Brigade
  - Dec. 8-Holy Day
    - Last Wednesday Night Supper of 2010
    - Mass at 6:30
    - Pot Luck
    - Entertainment
      - Lord's Brigade
      - Youth
    - St. Nicholas
    - Caroling
  - Parish Picnic
    - Great example of Parish Life
    - Youth did great with games
    - Easy cleanup
  
- **Stewardship-Francine Bailey**
  - Committee met on Sept. 30, 2010
  - Still working on timeline for 2011
  - Group will select a chair soon
  - Next meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 9 at 6pm
  
- **Finance-Fr. Kavanaugh/Kurt Eyrich**
  - Finance reports were distributed
  - Joyce Culpepper bequest to the parish
    - Annuity over \$85k
    - Paid first quarter deanery assessment-\$22k
    - Remaining to remain as a buffer an account
  - Kurt reported
    - Encouraged with finances of IC-tight budget

- Oct. MHT's subsidy has decreased since July
    - Development Office of IC
      - Has been raising funds
      - \$30k was goal and has been reached
      - If trend continues, MHT could have only deanery subsidy
  - Sale of IC
    - Still the same
  - Regular monthly finance meetings
    - Finance committee minutes are not to be public due to confidential nature of the meetings
    - Kurt attends meetings and will report
  - Goal of Finance Committee
    - Budget of school/parish is to be overseen by MHT finance committee
  - October income
    - Has increased
    - Generous parishioners
    - Five Sundays in October
  - Unpaid diocesan assessments/property insurance
    - Being expensed but listed as a liability
    - \$54k so far this year
- **Youth Ministry-Rebecca Quinn Shelt**
  - Rebecca is the youth minister coordinator
    - Kylie Lucchesi is a great volunteer
      - Helps with WNS/Sundays
  - Youth is going on Facebook
  - Dylan Davis is representing Stewardship
  - One of the Wolf children will represent Parish Council
  - No one is representing youth on Parish Life
  - LifeTeen
    - Use of curriculum
    - Fr. Kavanaugh will make sure Liturgy is done correctly
  - Areas addressing w/youth
    - Mystegogy
      - Finding their talents
    - Social Justice
  - Helen Almeter is coordinating nuns to come & visit
  - Future Events Planned
    - Youth fundraiser for Advent
    - Steubenville, OH Youth Conference
      - March 16, 2011
      - \$150 per person
      - St. Mary on the Hill is going
    - Tony Belezzi is coming in January
    - Prayer at Planned Parenthood
    - Christmas Ball at St. Teresa's

- St. Teresa's will come here for Service Saturday
  - St. Mary's will host Super Sunday
- **Bicentennial**
  - Oct. 31-Stained Glass Lecture
  - Nov. 13-"Passing for White"-Dr. O'Toole
  - Dec. 5-Advent Lessons/Carols
- **African American Ministry-Kathy Johnson**
  - Met on Saturday, Oct. 16
  - Finalized Nov. 13 event
- **Knights of Columbus-Dick Stuhler**
  - BBQ tickets for sale
    - Saturday, Oct. 30
    - 10:30am-5pm
    - St. Pat Hall
  - Great food at the picnic
  - LeRoy Williams pleaded for new members
- **ProLife-Paul Rowan**
  - 40 Days for Life
    - Six more days to go
    - Numbers down at Planned Parenthood
    - Next one is in Lent
  - Petition drive in Richmond County about abstinence vs. sex ed program
  - Walk for Life, Washington, DC
    - January 23-25
    - Roe v Wade
    - \$215 per person double occupancy
  - ProLife in Augusta Blog
    - Search ProLife in Augusta
  - Fr. Kavanaugh had a great article in the Augusta Chronicle on Saturday, Oct. 23
  - Living Rosary was successful
- **CCW**
  - Holiday House-November 6/7
  - Nativi "Tea"-December 1
- **Old Business**
  - Facilities Use Plan-Ongoing
  - Universal Call to Holiness-draft was presented
    - Read & make suggestions to Fr. Kavanaugh

- **New Business**
  - Parish Mission
    - End of January-beginning of February
  - Proposed Christmas/New Year's Mass Schedule
  - Advent Penance Service-December 14
  - Fr. Kavanaugh is out of the office the week of Thanksgiving
- **Next meeting scheduled, Tuesday, November 30 at 7pm**
- **Fr. Kavanaugh closed with prayer**

**Those in attendance:**

Debbie DeRoller

Michele Hill

Rebecca Quinn Shelt

Richard J. Stuhler

LeRoy Williams

JoAnn A. Cook

Amy Peduto

Barbara Hicks

Francine Bailey

Joe Prouty

Nelson Parris

Paul Rowan

Kurt Eyrich

Scott Weinand

Fr. Kavanaugh