

St Patrick's Emerald Altar Society Meeting Minutes

Oct 7, 2017

Attendees: Pres – Sue Stringer; V Pres – Cindy Rubick; Sec – Joan Gagnon; Ann Collins, Cookie Rausch; Jackie Klenda

Open with Prayer – President

Reading of Minutes- Secretary

Minutes of meeting July 28, 2017 - were read and approve as written.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer

Checking Account – Beginning Balance: From – July 28, 2017	\$11,653.68
Deposits –	\$160.00
Debits -	\$1040.94
Ending Balance:	\$10772.74

Deposits – Donation from Wilper reunion - \$80, M. Fitzpatrick \$20, Best choice labels \$60 –Total \$160.00

Debits – New bell chimes \$398 (P. Penson Memorial funds); supplies \$35; dehumidifier \$217.94; Balance of P. Penson Memorial to cemetery fund \$390 – total \$1040.94

Old Business:

1. Refurbish of Confessional – update – Sue and Ann reported no update on plans at this time.
2. Cleaning assignments – re distribute list – keep posted and in bulletin. – Joan has posted and just sent in e-mail along with last meeting minutes. Joan stated she did hear from Jennifer Pope and Christine Dykes for this month and they have the schedule. Thank you to Cindy for posting on web site.

New Business:

1. Oktoberfest – Oct 21st following Mass – KOC helping with food prep. Joan stated she was going to make the German potato salad and Alice was making the kraut. Others to bring a desert. Note there are lots of activities in October – we are inviting our sinner parishes likely will be a small crowd but please invite those you see to come and enjoy the meal and games.-
2. Christmas Party with St. Joseph's– Jackie states she believes this is planned for Saturday December 9th; Joan mentioned she saw Father Quentin and Kelly Stice this morning and possibly it would be held on December 10th after an 8:30 am mass at Emerald. Father expressed he wanted it at Emerald due to size on crowd. Jackie will help coordinate any needs about meal and gifts for the children back to us from St. Joseph's. Heidi Arb is heading up the planning for this event. Jackie suggested we help provide a family catholic book/gift for the CCD children's families. One option she mentioned was a book – "The Weight of the Mass".
3. Christmas Decorations – With the party planned for the second week of Advent – not sure if Father will want Christmas decorations that soon. Will need to speak to him on this then get the word out on the date and time. Agreed we need to purchase 10 new wreaths for the walls and doors. Large wreaths still in good shape.
4. Christmas Gift for Father – Motioned and approved - \$100.00 gift with card.
5. Christmas Mass times – Joan stated she did speak to Father and the times are as follows:
Christmas Eve – Sunday Dec 24th – 5pm – St. Teresa's; 7pm - St. Patrick's
Christmas Day – Monday Dec 25th - 8:30am – St. Joseph's; 10:30 am St. Francis Xavier
Joan stated she has a flyer – invite card that will be made available and the LOM will be going door to door to invite neighbors and friends. Please pass the word and make sure all our families know the times in advance for planning their Christmas Mass and celebrations. We will post this flyer/invite in all our parishes.

6. New officers – request for new officers. Ann Collins agreed to take over Secretary, others will remain the same. The change will take place after the next St. Patrick's Day Celebration.

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7. Reminders: -

- next St. Pat's Celebration March 11th. Planning meeting early Jan. Everyone work on items for raffle tickets as those need to be printed by early Feb to get mailed and out to parishioners. Ann stated she had a Quilt ready; Joan stated she and Glen would work to have a hog for processing. Also agreed we needed to mail out more tickets in each envelop. Cindy will get back with Judy on the returns from this past event.

- Dates for KOC Lenten Fish fry to be announced. Discussed that last year because St. Patrick's Day fell on Friday we did the fish fry that Friday but possibly this year chose a later day so not to be so close to big St. Pat's Celebration.

Other discussions

Meeting time – Joan did send out e-mails to all with the past minutes and reminder of the time for today's meeting – discussed moving this to 5pm – a little closer to mass time. IT was announced at mass last week – Did not get in the bulletin – will work on improving communications. (not mentioned at the meeting - Joan still does not have everyone's e-mail – I will work on calling those I do not have and get that list updated).

Sue will look at date for next meeting and e-mails will go out along with calls.

I will send these minutes by e-mail and mail to members who I do not have e-mails for at this time. Note some members do not use internet /texting /emails.

Close with Prayer – President

Respectfully Submitted

Joan Gagnon, Secretary