

Church of the Immaculate Conception
Parish Pastoral Council March Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

Our Mission Statement: Family and Friends Fully Alive in Jesus Christ and His Church

Update/Review on parish activities and ministries:

- Food for Kidz: plan 40K meals, but they are flexible. A half-page flyer will be inserted into Lonsdale Telephone bills. Plans are moving ahead as scheduled. Researching to see if we can donate food to the Jamaica Missionary.
- Directory: finalize and completed! Add announcement in bulletin.
- Parish Family Ministry:
 - Steubenville – no spots left. Prayer-a-thon will not be held.
 - Easter Eggs (March 27) – discussed plans. Flyer will be inserted March 19-20.
 - Military Tribute (May 30) – discussed ideas. Start with list from directory info sheets. Ashlee will talk with KofC and Jennifer to help coordinate.
 - Books to Prison Libraries – researching options for donations; no firm date.
- Traveling Statue of Mary: suggest that the statue could be used at all Parish meetings.
- Shut-Ins, Communion to Homebound: working with a couple people. Obtain list from parish office.
- Children’s Bulletin: more bulletins will be printed, so that we don’t run out. Lector will announce before Palm Sunday Masses. Add blurb in bulletin. Fr. Graftsky will announce before Final Blessing. Servers will hand out, and Dianne will send out instructions. Extras to be used by Holy Family Academy.
- Prayer Cards: 48 pews in Church. Discussed new layout and ideas.
- Prayer Intentions Book: sheets will be printed and placed in 3-ring binder. Binder to be placed on a stand behind the last pew. Include bulletin announcement March 19-20. Plan is to have the Lector announce Divine Mercy Sunday, and include in Prayer Petitions.
- Welcoming: signed up about 5-6 people/families for each Mass!! Seeking additional volunteers; bulletin will mention in April.
- Lending Library: creating the space, looking at verses and a formal name to call the space.
- Pack the Pews: Fr. Chris was OK with Palm Sunday. Flyers were updated and stuffed in March 12-13 bulletins. Dianne included with announcements. “Reserved” pew signs were changed to say “Pack the Pews.” Dianne will put on Friday, March 18. Ushers and Fr. Graftsky were notified of the plan. Sandy Simon and Jeanette Utech will collect all the donations and bring to LAFS on Sunday after 10am Mass.
- Cards to servers, 1st Communion kids & Confirmands: contacted Kate with wording and details of project. Cards will be mailed by March 21.
- Clothing Drive: KofC will take charge of project. Provide them with dates of both Spring (May 7) and Fall (October 8) citywide garage sales, along with contact information of who to give donations to (St. Vincent de Paul)
- Bible Study: planning for Symbolon in the Fall.

Upcoming Event: April 28: Food for Kidz