

Church of the Immaculate Conception
Parish Pastoral Council February Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 – 7pm

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

Present: Fr. Dennis Thompson (via phone), Betty Smisek, Ashlee Rickert, and Heather Malecha

Welcome/Opening Prayer

Review/Approve December Minutes

Parish activities and ministries:

- Communion to homebound – going great! Father responds to whomever contacts him/office, along with at the Villages
- Requests for a Healing Mass. This will be scheduled the end of March and Father will offer anointing of the sick.
- Discussed Mass times and changes with Music Ministry
- Lending Library – added about 30 more books. Shelf space is very limited now, and we cannot accept book donations unless someone donates shelving. Need to remove carpeting and clean floor.
- Greeter Ministry – sample designs were reviewed. Clip tags were ordered (will be easier to put on/take off). Sold in quantities of 50. We need about 66, therefore ordered 100 @ \$26. Will provide for all Greeters and families, along with Ushers in the future.
- Parish Life Ministry:
 - Symbolon Bible Study – cancelled, not enough sign-ups. Considering offering something in Fall.
 - ProLife crib collection – collected enough items to fill 2 cribs full! Items donated to Pregnancy Options LifeCare in Faribault. Thank you published in bulletin.
- March 25-26 Pack the Pews – update from LAFS. Use similar flier from last year. Collect for 2 weekends: March 18-19 and March 25-26. Have a 2nd collection (2nd weekend only).
- Evangelization – healthy things bear fruit. Discussed a multitude of topics, including adult faith formation, being outward focus, being inviting, getting involved in ministry and serving, giving financially to support the mission of the Church, and joining small groups.
- Divine Mercy images and prayer cards – a large quantity were given to the Parish a long time ago. *Discussion tabled until next meeting.*

Upcoming

- Next Pastoral Council meeting – Tuesday, March 7
- Easter – April 16
- Food for Kidz – May 4