

Immaculate Conception of Maplewood Parish Council

Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Date of Meeting:	March 16, 2023	Time:	7:00 pm
Meeting minutes prepared by:	Barbara Bouvatte	Location:	Church rectory dining room
Attendees:	Marilyn Springer, Deacon John, Barbara Bouvatte, Mary Bankston, Joe Hagen, Laura Miller		
Meeting opening/closing prayer	Deacon John		

Agenda item	Main Points	Decisions/ Next steps
1. Update on “All Things New”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our model was modified last week to IC, Mary Magdalena and Little Flower; 3 parishes instead of 4. • St. Luke's and Our Lady of Lourdes will combine in a new model. • Deacon John will meet with the IC “All Things New” team to discuss a possible model that combines IC with Holy Redeemer. • Final decision on Pentecost • Implementation over 3 to 5 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One goal of the models is to have mass attendance be ½ to ¾ full based on the number of households.
2. Open gym afternoons for teens +young adults.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teens between ages of 11 to 20 age group • Rules to be posted: No bullying, no pushing, no shoving • Schedule for the 2nd Sunday of every month • Time of event: 1 pm to 4 pm • 1 adult monitor needed • Snacks will be provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open gym will be put on hiatus until further notice.
3. Lent starts February 22; Theme:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lent Theme: Taste & See the Goodness of the Lord 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deacon John has started carrying the Cross at the beginning of each mass. The alter candles are lit prior to mass.

4. Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a liability to the Archdioceses of \$40,286 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collections are down about 20%. Gym rentals are occurring and 3 classrooms are rented out.
5. Hospitality Sunday /Saturday?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospitality Sunday (Saturday?) – there are a couple of sign-ups for upcoming Sunday's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sign-up sheet for others to host is in the back of church for future dates.
6. Trivia Night Fundraiser	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trivia Night fundraiser is March 25, 2023. No silent auction; just selling raffle tickets for gift baskets. Laura will locate and get keys to the projector screen, microphones and speaker equipment for the event. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer signup sheets are in the back of church. Need more donated gift basket items. Only 8 – 10 tables sold. Need help selling more tables in advance.
7. Other items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maplewood High School/ Middle school asked IC to sponsor their faith based group's breakfast for the month of April/2023 and to be added to our prayer list for that time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The request of \$120.00 will cover breakfast for 4(four) Thursdays in the month of April. The group has ~ 15 kids that meet from 7:15 am to 8:15 am. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parish council approved the \$120.00 payment to be made to the Campus Crusade for Christ (a non-profit organization). This organization will purchase the requested breakfast items.
8. Next meeting		<p>Next meeting Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 7 pm.</p>