Minutes for Assumption Church, Sept. 17th, 2005

Present: Jim Ladieu, Gerry Searcy, Steve Valiquette, Diana Miller, Marilyn Cox, Fr. Jerry, Jerry

Strobel, Kaye Bulzacchelli, Margaret Simpson, Michael Brown

Absent: Fr. McGowan, Joe Murphy, Jack Goodrum

Father opened the meeting with a prayer at 8:00 P.M.

Father brought up that the 2 back altars would be taken to the Catholic center, refurbished and if Assumption ever wants them back, we can have them back at any time.

Ms. Searcy was selected as the chairperson of the council and Mr. Stroble as vice chair.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Mr. Murphy was absent, but Fr. Jerry reported that online giving was up and running and the monies from the Lt. and Eng. Masses will be separated to gauge attendance, etc...

Education: Ms. Simpson announced that a new teacher will be trained in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Numbers for Rel. Ed. where reported. New materials have been ordered for several classes. High school is an apologetics based education. There was low interest in the Adult Education, however, Dr. Bulzechelli will be teaching those interested; class to be held in the rectory during religious ed. time on Sunday mornings.

Women's group: No report. It was brought up to bring in a Country Store booth for the Oktoberfest. Ms. Miller will check on this.

Liturgy: Ms Saval has been hired as the choir director for the 11:00 Mass.

Keith Searcy Memorial Thanksgiving Meal: This is the 29th year and some donations are already in the bank.

Pro-Life: Ms. Cox stated that Wed. Sept. 23 is the kick-off for the 40 Days for Life with 7:00 Mass at Assumption and a program of speakers and singers afterwards. Except for Sunday, a parish has adopted every other day to pray and to supply 22 prayers for the day they signed up. This would allow 2 persons per hour for the prayer vigil from 7:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday.

Buildings and Grounds: The work on the Abby will begin on Monday, Sept. 21 and hopefully will be done before Oktoberfest. There have been many renovations to the campus including the rectory kitchen, duplex, and school house.

## **New Business:**

## Evangelization of Germantown:

- Suggestions to evangelize the area: More Masses. Education programs in the evening.
  Programs through the week. [Call and Gifted and Matrimonium were suggested and
  Wednesday evenings were suggested.] Legion of Mary on Sat.? Ad hoc committee to
  come up with suggestions. Tim Templeton suggested websites to advertise on and will
  call and check on these.
- 2. New Ministries. Ms. Searcy suggested we look into outreach. She will look into us participating in this program.
- 3. Home school as a ministry? We want to assist them, we need to have them listed in as more formal activity and would like them to be involved in some service activities for the church. We want to assist them to grow and need to be sure they are connected to the church in name and service.

Old Business. Oktoberfest: We want tours, we will have sign ups for tour leadership. Mr. Brown will have JPII list this as an opportunity for service hours. Tim Templeton and Jim Ladieu agreed to be in charge. Jerilyn will help send names from JPII, etc... to Jim and Tim. Jerry Strobel will check on identifying parking.

Mr. King. Father reported that the insurance is procured for the festival.

Father adjourned with a prayer at 8:10.

Next meeting will be Oct. 15th, 2015