

**CHRIST THE KING CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

March 11, 2008

Members Present:

Pastor - Msgr. Francis Malone

Associate Pastor – Father Frank DuPreez

Deacons – Bo McAllister, Don Greenway

Parish Council Members – Tony Pipkin, Jacques Pierini, Chuck Toomer, Terri Bartnicke, Stephen Selig

Parish Organization Representatives – Jordan Siebenmorgen, Sandee Haslauer, Conrad Battreal,

Ralph Broadwater, Kevin Forte, Lori & Tom Clements, Francis Beane, Eric Wewers, Jan Greenway

Parish Staff – Bevie Davies, Kathy House, Jackie Kaufman

1. Opening Prayer – Parish Council President Tony Pipkin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and Msgr. Malone offered an opening prayer.
2. The minutes of the February 12, 2008 Parish Council meeting were approved as amended.
3. Committee Reports:
 - a) Finance Council: no report
 - b) Finance Officer: Jackie reported collections at budget, operating expenses under budget. Replaced 3 computers; moved 100,000 from checking to savings; to date \$83,000 has been spent on church projects; and she is working on the school budget.
 - c) Parish Life and Outreach: Recent events:
 - CTK Marriage Encounter (ME) was a great success. Thirteen (13) couples attended ME III the weekend of February 15-17. Many thanks to Frank and Pat Plafcan for their hard work!
 - K of C Blood Drive was held in the Family Life Center (FLC) on March, 2
 - CTK Outreach Fair was held the weekend of March 8-9 after all Masses. Representatives from 22 of the charitable agencies funded by CTK were in attendance and hosted information booths about their programs.
 - The C.A.L.L. (Children of Arkansas Loved for a Lifetime) in partnership with the Arkansas Adoption Coalition arranged for the “Gallery of Hearts” tour to be a part of the Outreach Fair. (Donated) professional portraits of Pulaski County foster children currently available for adoption were on display. Since the tour began in February, several placements and/or adoptions have been made!

Upcoming events:

- Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 14 in the FLC from 5-8pm
- MOMS Pantry and Dress for Success collection is the weekend of March 15-16
- Holy Thursday Family Potluck Dinner will be held at 5:00pm on March 20 in the FLC. Sign up sheets will be at each exit of the church this weekend in an attempt to get a headcount. Volunteers are needed to help setup and serve the meal!
- 2008-09 Charitable Funding is underway. Requests For Proposals (RFPs) were issued the end of February and are due back March 30

- An Usher Appreciation and Information meeting/dinner will be held on April 10 in the Ministries Building.

d) Music Director: no report

e) School Principal: The Msgr. Hebert Endowment Board for Christ the King School met last week and voted on disbursements of \$60,000 for needs based scholarships for children to attend CTK School and \$30,000 teacher signing bonuses and teacher scholarships.

The 5th Grade will be acting out the Living Stations of the Cross for the school on March 13 and 14 at 1:45 pm. They will not be performing on Friday night this year due to the construction in the church.

We have begun the 4th quarter of school this week. Third quarter report cards go out March 13 and 14. Parent-teacher conferences will be held the following week on March 18 and 19 from 3:00-6:00pm. Students will be out of school from March 20-March 31 for Spring Break.

Parochial League Basketball Tournaments are going on this week due to delay caused by last week's snow.

Our PTO Open House is going to be this Thursday night (February 14) at 7:00pm. There will be a "Uniform Fashion Show" featuring CTK students wearing uniforms from the Toggery.

We held our first "Breakfast of Champions" last week. It was very successful and rewarded students who had excelled in various ways such as Spelling Bee winners, Geography Bee winners, Media Festival winners, etc. Jennifer Reynolds, our Development Director, organized the event and was assisted by her "Ambassadors."

f) School Board: no report

g) DRE : RCIA will have 26 new individuals coming into church on Easter Vigil. There are 162 enrolled in PRE. Why Catholic? will be concluding next week.

h) CYM: What the youth have been up to—

1. Dr. and Mrs. Jaeger came! Chastity chat with the teens-very popular and well attended.
2. Gym Night for the 5th and 6th grade (35 senior high students received a discount for state convention which will be held in May at the Doubletree hotel).
3. 2 tabs (prayer style) and (scripture skit healing of the blind man) were well attended and enjoyed by all.
4. Dinner and a Movie at the youth center were held on Mrs. Davies Birthday!
5. CYM Mass/Gym Night first weekend in March "TJ" did an excellent job!
6. Monthly Adoration has started up, we had a handful of youth attend the first night and we expect our numbers to continually grow.
7. SEARCH was fantastic! Many of our youth participated in the Search Retreat held at St. Johns.

i) Youth Director:

Upcoming events for CYM include:

- This Wed., March 12 our Teen Talk speaker will be Mrs. Liz Tingquist, the director of Youth Ministry for the Diocese. We are looking forward to what we know will be an energetic talk on her own faith journey, a “plug” for upcoming events such as the State Youth convention in May and the regional convention in October, and other youth ministry events sponsored by her office. We’re calling this night an “Open-mike Night” as well, hoping that our teens will have lots of good questions for Liz, taking advantage of her wisdom and experience from her many years working in youth ministry.
- Wed., March 19 we will have a TABS (Teens and Bible Study) night with a theme appropriate for Holy Week.
- At 3PM on Good Friday, we have a wonderful group of teens that will present the Live Stations of the Cross for the parish. This has been a tough year to prepare with the renovations in the church limiting our practices there, but the students have been very dedicated and worked hard to prepare a meaningful presentation.
- On Monday, March 24, we leave for Orlando, Florida for our Spring Break trip. We have 40 teens and 16 adults making the trip. Highlights of the trip include: 2 days at Universal Studios/Islands of Adventure, dinner at Hard Rock Café, one day at Downtown Disney for shopping and the Disney Quest arcade, and one day at Sea World. Of course, for the kids, the 20 hour bus ride to and from Orlando is also a main attraction! Please pray for our safety and for a fun trip for everyone!

j) Honduras Mission: The appeal to the parish this weekend was a fruitful we now have 2 clinic physicians and 3 potential physicians. The mission is still seeking a general surgeon.

k) Rexfest: Committee Chairs are working diligently to organize their respective areas.

- Friday Night Auction - Solicitation Letters have been mailed and money and auction items have been coming in. Live auction items and parties are starting to come in as well. i.e. Around the World Wine Tasting & Dinner with Lorri Hambuchen and Steak Dinner from the Plafcans. Gretchen Pierce is organizing the art projects from each grade level. They were very popular last year.
- Race - Entergy has been confirmed as a \$1,000 sponsor.
- Saturday Night Party - The Intruders Band is confirmed for the party. Larry Parker and other volunteers will be cooking hot dogs and hamburgers again this year.
- Sunday Carnival - Volunteers!-Volunteers!-Volunteers! are needed again this year. And in addition this year will be the Segway Attraction for the kids 12 years of age and up.
- Raffle - We have two trips this year: Puerto Vallarta at the Palace Resort and Las Vegas at the Bellagio. Or the winners can create their own trip for the same value. And there will be a cash prize for the person who sells the most tickets.

l) FIRMA: February/March Concluded Events:

- February FIRMA Forum, on February 20 with a discussion of Pope Benedict’s *Spe Salvi*
- 6pm Mass on the second Sunday of each month (February 10, March 9)
- In 2008, Terra FIRMA will continue weekly adoration hour on Tuesdays at 7pm and Sarah Streitweiser is the coordinator for adoration.

March/April Upcoming/Ongoing Events:

- Ignatian Prayer Groups:

- Women will be doing Why Catholic throughout Lent
- Men will be studying the Catechism as a group
- Next Second Sunday (April 13) after the 6pm mass FIRMA will meet dinner at Jason's Deli
- FIRMA Forum, Wednesday March 19 @ 7pm, Topic: Pope Benedict's latest Encyclical, *Spe Salvi* (discuss rest of encyclical)

Planning:

- Upcoming FIRMA Concilium
- m) Respect Life: no report
- n) Mother's Day Out/Nursery: Average Nursery Use for the Month of February
- Saturday - 5:00 p.m. Mass – 8 children
 - Sunday - 8:00 a.m. Mass – 2 child
 - 10:30 a.m. Mass – 26 children
 - 12:15 p.m. Mass – 5 children
 - 6:00 p.m. Mass – 6 children
- Total Average for Weekend Masses: 47 children
- Wednesday morning (WOG & MOMS) – 23 children
 - Wednesday evening (RCIA) – 2 children
 - Terra FIRMA – 6 children
- Mother's Circle – 17 Children
- 126 families have registered in the nursery.
- 53 children from 49 families attend Mother's Day Out.

Mother's Day Out Open Parish registration was held on February 13, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. The three-year-old class is full, with a waiting list. We have openings in both the two year old and 18 month old classes.

The PNA Fashion Show has been scheduled for Friday, April 11, 2008 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

- o) Primetimers: No report
- p) Scouting: No report
- q) Sacristan: During a recent weekend in February Msgr. Malone asked for volunteers for ushers, adorations, lectors and Eucharistic ministers and 70 people came forward (4 adorers, 11 lectors, 10 Extraordinary ministers, 45 ushers). We now have enough sufficient ushers to schedule 6 individuals per mass. Minister schedules will no longer be mailed to homes starting with May, June, July schedule. Next weeks schedule will be printed in bulletin and the schedule is online at www.CTKLR.com. Copies will also be emailed to those requesting a copy. And finally copies will be in the back of the church for pick up.
- r) Vocations: Conrad reported working on Rexfest, inviting religious to be present at Sunday's activities at the vocations booth. Vocations Chalice is gaining popularity and the roster is filled through May. And a reminder that Deacon Patterson continues to lead Holy Hour for vocations each Thursday at 7:00 PM.
- s) Deacons: Bill Hartman has retired to Senior Status

t) Associate Pastor: No report

U) CTK Vision: Eric Wewers is putting together committees to examine growth patterns of the parish.

4. Old Business: Church renovations – the doors have arrived. The Baptistry is complete and waterproof. The newest rondell has arrived and will be put in place 2/13/08. Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) will be doing a documentary on the rondell artist in the future.

5. New Business: All committee members are now required to send an electronic copy of their committee report to the Parish Council Secretary in advance of the meeting (currently David Shields at cdavidshields@comcast.net). Parish council officers elections will be held in May.

6. Pastor's Report: Msgr. Malone commended Jordan Siebenmorgan and Michael Wendel for their involvement and leadership at the most recent Search retreat. Msgr. thanked everyone for their patience during the church renovations. Msgr. said that umbrella bags would be placed at the entrances to the church to floors from water and to help avoid slips/falls.

7. Questions and Answers: None

8. Date of next meeting: April 8, 2008

9. Closing Prayer: Fr. Frank DuPreez gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

David Shields

Secretary