

Special Parish Council Meeting of March 25, 2014

Attendance: Fr. Wojciech Pelczarski, Kathy Perlitz, Tom Manning, Ron Massimino, Jonathan Van Dine, Janusz Herasimowicz, Joel Cohan, Dorli and Lou Cloutier, Sharon Snuffer and Patti Cinea.

Guests: Ryan and Ben Van Dine

1. Both Ryan and Ben provided updates on their proposed Eagle Scout projects. Ryan presented specifics: The height of the sign would be 6'8". It would be placed 44" deep into the ground, below the frost line, secured in a concrete base with rebar support. It would have 6 completed panels. The wooden construction would be sealed with a 2 part epoxy paint. Suggested is to have a similar curvature top with complimentary finials that would match the current two signs out front. Ryan stated that the Knights of Columbus contributed \$200 towards his project. Parish financial assistance is not required, but a donation by the parish or others accepted gratefully.

Ben stated his project would not include the wooden fire pit because of denial from Catholic Mutual. The insurance agent suggested possibly a gas lit fire pit. He stated he would concentrate on the creation of a 12X12 sq ft patio, with concrete footings for placement of wooden benches. The KOC also has donated \$200 towards the cost of this project. Raising funding would be via offering the purchase a "memorial brick" to include desired inscription, such as "in memory of..." for sale. Memorial bricks would be placed on the outer edge of the patio. Both projects cost are \$549/519 respectively. The Parish Council approved and signed off on both projects. Announcement for these memorial bricks will be placed in the vestibules.

2. Possible sanctuary enhancements include relocating the Tabernacle to behind the altar to its original location when St. Maurice was dedicated as a parish in 1957. Another suggestion is to add some sort of painted artwork or color on the east side wall, extending to the Tower, at the location of the Risen Christ statue. The call is to the visual senses to draw one's immediate attention to God.

3. **Property Management:** The parish is required quarterly to provide water sampling from the tap for analysis. The parish uses *Phoenix Lab* for this testing. If this water sample doesn't pass, then the next water sampling source needs to be directly from the well. Needed is a dedicated tap off the water tank. There is a soft water system involved also. M & M Oil will walk through the plumbing system and determine the proper correction.

4. The Boy Scouts are sponsored by the Bolton Ecumenical Council of Bolton Churches. St. Maurice provides a physical resource for their meetings and storage place for equipment. Should this host service provided be reciprocated by some means? Suggested is to discuss with the Scout Master the possibility of the scouts providing Fall and Spring clean-up of parish grounds, and to keep their equipment confined, and not extend into the lower Church hall area.

5. The **Share and Care Ministry** has depleted its funds to pay for paper goods, beverages and condiments used for luncheons following parish funerals.

The meeting closed at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Patti Cinea