

Župniski Pastoralni Svet – Brezmadežna Čudodelne Svetinje (Toronto)

Parish Pastoral Council – Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Toronto)

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting #17 – October 3, 2011

Attendees:

Cvetka Andrejaš
Father Valentin Batič
Father Antonio Burja
Sonya Horvat
John Jereb
Rozika Nesich
Andrej Pahulje
Milan Vinčec
Josephine Žilavec

Representing:

Church Office
Pastor
Associate Pastor
Catechists
Ushers / Bartenders
Catholic Women's League
Church Organist
Slovenian School
Nageljčki / Nagelj

Regrets:

Robert Ferkul
Paula Petersen
Laurie Ulcar
Millie Ulcar

Planika / Mladi Glas
Scouts
Children / Youth Choir (Novi Rod)
Otroški Kotiček

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| 1. | Opening Prayer
Fr. Burja began the meeting with a prayer with special attention to the upcoming '40 days for life' campaign. | Fr. Burja |
| 2. | Review of Previous Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Yearbook: Cover will have photo of the new renovated church beside a picture of the 'before' photo. The yearbook committee is compiling the final copy, and confirmation needs to be made regarding who will be doing the text within the book.b. Fall Events: It was suggested that registrations for things starting in the fall, be done in the spring, in particular, Sunday School classes. This will facilitate the ordering of supplies such as textbooks.c. Coffee Schedule: Mary Tratnik is in charge of creating the schedule. A final schedule will be posted this week. | Milan
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| 3. | Youth Volunteers:
The Apostolic Circle is looking for new volunteers to help with the organization. It was suggested that an announcement can be made both in the bulletin and perhaps during mass, for students who require a certain amount of volunteer hours as part of their school curriculum could achieve some of those hours volunteering in church organizations and events. A | All |

sign-up sheet can be posted at the back of the church. Organizations can also post when they require volunteers

4. **New Mass Liturgy:** All
Certain prayers and responses during the mass will be changed to reflect a more accurate translation of the Latin text. This new liturgy will begin at the start of the liturgical calendar (1st Sunday of Advent – November 27th). The changes will be explained at mass, so that people will understand why these changes are taking place.
5. **Absences**
Fr. Batic will be away the last two weeks of October and Fr. Burja will be away starting November 13th. Fr. Plazar is undergoing surgery on October 21st.
6. **Coffee After Masses** All
Schedule will be posted. Discussion to have coffee after 11:15 English mass resulted in a consensus that most people just go home after mass to prepare lunch. If people are interested they can come prior to mass.
7. **Church Renovations** All
 - a. Renovations are ongoing. Supplies for the choir loft have arrived. The main altar area still needs to be completed. Discussion on whether or not to put hand rails at the stairs by the altar was not concluded. Bathrooms also will be renovated.
 - b. Plans for the blessing are proceeding. A request for donated sweets will be made.
 - c. After the celebration, people will be presented with the Miraculous Medal as well as a Memorare (prayer and explanation of the Medal). A video presentation can also be made to explain the significance of the medal. This celebration can be posted in the bulletin.
8. **Church Mission 2012** All
The next church mission is being planned for March 23 – 25, 2012. Initial plans include a luncheon to be held on the 25th.
9. **Father Plazar's 75th Birthday** All
Father Plazar will be celebrating his 75th birthday on November 25th. We would like to celebrate this occasion however we are not sure what condition he will be in after his surgery (to recover). Something can be said during a mass (Happy Birthday can be sung) or if he cannot come a card can be sent.
10. **Dr. Simone** All
Nada Cemas suggested that a notice be placed in the bulletin that when a person passes away, if they have things that can be donated, to donate to Dr. Simone to help with the poor.

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| 11. | Parish Council
Each group is requested to write a job description of the person best suited to represent their particular group, so that when elections are held we will have an understanding of the type of person required for the job (qualifications, responsibilities, etc.). In the new year, each group can choose a person they want to represent their group. These people can then be elected into the Parish Council when the present mandate expires. | All |
| 12. | Youth Group
Interest has been generated for a youth group (Majda and Andreja Krosel). Contact with the archdiocese for their information on such groups can be made. | All |
| 13. | Entertainment Center
Mr. Kunstelj has donated an entertainment center to the church for their use. This can be used by various groups such as scouts, or for general purposes such as movie presentations, etc. | All |
| 14. | Life Chain
Due to inclement weather, very few people showed up for the life chain demonstration. In the future, perhaps we can invite a member from each of the church organizations to go. | All |
| 15. | Future Events
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. CWL – A meeting will be held to organize this year’s events. b. Father Batic is going on a pilgrimage, will return on October 29th. c. October 30th – prayers at the cemeteries will be held d. October 30th – Mission breakfast in the church hall e. After Thanksgiving – choirs will begin practices (Novi Rod on Wednesdays; Naša Pesem also on Wednesdays); Nageljčki will start their practices on Thursdays (no longer at Dom Lipa, but here at the church); f. Prayer group will also begin (are inviting people to join). They meet every second Tuesday of every month. g. Slovenian School – Miklavž is their first event of this school year. h. Sunday School – registrations will be held on October 16th. | Info. |
| 7. | Next Meeting
Next committee meeting to be held Friday, November 4 at 8:30 p.m. Please contact Sonya Horvat by email or telephone if you cannot be present at the meetings. | |
| 8. | Conclusion
Father Burja led the prayers. | |

These minutes have been prepared by:
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