Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Herman Indra, Chairman. Monsignor John Urell noted that Rick Krugh has resigned from the Council because of a scheduling conflict.

Members present:
- Herman Indra
- Clare Marie Einsmann
- Nivea Torres Naficy
- Margaret Hruz
- Noel Nepomuceno
- Michele Richards
- Rick Wlodyga
- Monsignor John Urell

Opening Prayer

Monsignor Urell presented the opening prayer.

Prior Minutes

Clare Einsmann presented the minutes of the prior meeting. A copy of said minutes are attached hereto and shall become a part of these minutes. After discussion and consideration, Rick Wlodyga moved to approve the minutes. Nivea Torres Naficy seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

3rd Annual Casino Dinner

Clare Einsmann reported that to date only 92 tickets have been sold for the Casino Night 92 sold to date. She is confident that she will be able to get an additional sale. She said that she continues to need volunteers for construction of the decorations, for decorating at the event itself and breaking down the decorations at the end of the evening.
Habitat for Humanity

A Wine and Cheese reception for the Habitat for Humanity will be held on February 25th. The first article is in the bulletin this week and 2 more articles in the next 2 weeks with more details about the event. The cost for the reception will be $20 for wine, cheese and heavy appetizers. The $20 is mandatory but no additional donation will mandatory.

It was also suggested go to one of the teen life nights and promote their participation in Habitat for Humanity.

The Parish needs to raise $6,000, the total goal for the Coalition is to raise $150,00 to build the house in Tustin. One of the Habitat homeowner will be speaking at the reception. There are 20 parishes in the diocese joining this coalition.

2017 PSA

Monsignor Urell then discussed the annual Pastoral Services Appeal which will begin next week with articles in the bulletin. The banners and posters will be displayed. Ministers in the jails will be speaking at the Masses the week before Monsignor Urell will speak at all of the Masses. At that Mass each family will be asked to come forward for a PSA envelope. Then the following week, the parish will send each of the families a PSA envelope.

The parish goal for 2016 was $131,000 and we received $265,000 in pledges from 483 families. The goal for 2017 is $137,000. We will be reminding the parishioners that the money the parish earns will be used to replenish the parish reserves funds that we used to pay the new construction and remodeling done on the campus.

It was suggested that there will be a discussion of the percentage of people who have given funds. We need to remind the parishioners that it doesn’t have to be a large donation – even $25, $50, $100 or $250 donations would help us reach our goal and raise needed funds.

Other Business

Monsignor Urell stated that the Knights are proposing that St. Timothy have a weekly Bingo game to allow them to cut back on the number of their fundraising. The bottom line is to raise a lot of money which will allow them to contribute more to local charities. It means that there is would be a large number of people at the same time and the same place each week.

After discussion, the consensus was that the pastoral council was not in favor of Bingo.

Monsignor Urell indicated that he is not going to make changes to Pastoral council at this time. He thought that he would look at some potential new members prior to making any decisions.
Diocesan Pastoral Council

The population of Laguna Niguel is 66,000 and it is estimated that generally 25% are Catholic in any community. The median age is 44.5. The city is predicting growth and the parish needs to reach out to the needs of the new residents.

How are we connecting to people who are coming to the city? How do we connect with people in Laguna Niguel who are not coming? How do we connect with people who come and go? Is our funding based at a certain age level? The parishes in the areas are seeing a reduction in attendance - St. Tim’s is down 6%; St. Edwards, 12%; and Corpus Christi, 8%. All of the parishes are noticing a decrease in the weekly income.

St. Timothy’s has a cross section of the people in Laguna Niguel. There is a high percentage of people born outside of the US.

There is a need to reach the millennials. What does St. Timothy’s offer that generation and how do we get to know what they need?

It was suggested that we speak with the concierge at these dense multi-unit apartment complexes and ask if they would be interested in learning about St. Timothy’s or one of our programs. One of us could stop in at the rental office and see if there was an interest in the program.

We can use some of the model of the diocese pastoral plan framework for 92677 and what can we do for our parish. What do these goals do for us and are these goals inviting for others?

There was discussion regarding the experiences that millennials are looking for and not the theories. There is more spending power by the millennials compare with any other age group. They don’t look for tomorrow, but for immediate gratification.

Monsignor Urell said we will discuss how to evangelize the community further.

Adjourn

It was determined that the next meeting would be Monday, February 27th. There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Clare Marie Einsmann
Secretary

Attested to by,

Herman Indra
Chairman