

**OUR LADY OF THE PINES SOCIETY  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2021  
Via ZOOM**

**CALL TO ORDER.** 2:01 PM by President **Kevin Darr**. Fifteen people present, including: President **Kevin Darr**, Vice President **Ron Burns**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President **Barbara Garcia**, Treasurer **Gary Sims**, and Secretary **Terri Darr**.

**OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Opening prayer led by Deacon Jaime Garcia. Pledge of Allegiance and Vocation Prayer led by President Darr.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** Terri Darr read the minutes of the November 4th, 2020 meeting. Shirley Blancett requested a correction to who had helped with the Mexitalian dinner to include 'many others helped'. Motion made and seconded (P. Magee – S.Coombs) to approve the November minutes with correction. Motion carried. Complete corrected minutes on file.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.** Treasurer Sims reviewed the January 2021 OLOP Treasurer's report, with a December 31, 2020, closing balance of \$10,593.50. Complete Treasurer's report on file. Treasurer Sims noted proceeds from Mexitalian dinner were excellent, with a profit of \$912.62.

**CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.** Terri Darr read a 'Thank You' from the Homeless Shelter for our generous Christmas gifts to the Homeless from the Angel Giving Tree tags.

**CLERGY COMMENTS.** Deacon Jaime noted that today was the feast day of Andre Bessette. He died on this date in 1937. He was called the Miracle Man of Montreal; with his faith and trust in God he was considered a healer. A million people attended his funeral.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS.** President Darr asked if there were any January birthdays or anniversaries. Terri Darr and Cindy Harvey both have birthdays in January and all on Zoom sang Happy Birthday to them. ♦ President Darr noted that Zoom meetings were not as well attended as face- to- face meetings. All attending today's Zoom meeting were quite pleased with how well Zoom worked. ♦ Due to the pandemic and no safe and sanitary way to hold it, the Super Bowl Snack Sale has been postponed. ♦ A Rummage Sale Committee Meeting will be held

via Zoom on January 20<sup>th</sup> to determine if we will hold our sale this year. If held many decisions will need to be made. President Darr states that Father Colin will give OLOP priority over St Katharine Drexel if we have our sale. Last Tag Sale at SKD had several OLOP Society members help with it and OLOP received a check for \$1500.00 for their help. ♦ Ray Waugh requested more articles are needed for the Pine Times. Joan Alimonti submitted recipes and now that is vacant, hopefully someone will step up and take over that segment. Connie Wright said both new articles and suggestions for articles can be submitted to either her or Ray Waugh. ♦ Sue Perrine noted we are back to cleaning the church twice a month now per telephone with Kevin Darr.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.** Vice President Burns said we need more fundraisers during these uncertain times and suggested more takeout dinners to increase our funds. Gary Sims thanked everyone who had helped with the Mexitalian dinner since it was successful.

**COMMITTEE & MINISTRY REPORTS**

**Scholarship** (Joanne Sims) Joanne Sims posed the question whether a scholarship should be given out this year due to our low bank balance. The Society determined that the scholarship was much needed to help high school seniors through these difficult times. A motion was made to continue giving out the scholarship. (Kevin Darr-Jaime Garcia) Motion carried. It was noted the scholarship was not limited to OLOP, but all parishioners who apply including college students. Connie Wright suggested contacting Paul Padilla at SKD for possible recipients.

**Finance Council** (*vacant*) The Finance Council no longer has a representative from OLOP. Terri Darr has stepped down after serving on the Council for six years.

**Liturgy** (*Viki Routt*). absent

**Maintenance** (Ted Novelli / Mike Shoda). Both absent

**Pastoral Council** (Shirley Blancett) Shirley noted the Pastoral Council meeting will be held tomorrow January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Social** (Shirley Blancett / Shirley Coombs). Shirley B. and Shirley C. plan to do a takeout St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 17<sup>th</sup>. The plan would be to prepare a corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the sides available for takeout. Paulette Magee suggested a sandwich of corned beef and sauerkraut on rye with potato salad as a takeout meal. It was decided to pre-sell tickets for hot corned beef and cabbage with set times for meal pick-ups. Since Steve Routt has helped cook corned beef dinner in the past it was decided to ask him if he would like to help. President Darr said he would call Steve and ask him. He will also contact Marge Vicari at SKD office to get the dinner put on the Church's calendar. Motion made and seconded (S. Blancett- S.Coombs) to do the St. Patrick's Day Takeout Dinner on St. Patrick's Day. Motion carried. Information on number of tickets to be sold, if it's just to be offered to OLOP parishioners or all the parish and costs, help needed etc. all to be presented in February OLOP Meeting.

**Sunshine** (Tom Stapleton). Tom Stapleton absent. Terri Darr read Sunshine Report. Report on file.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Connie Wright asked if anyone had noticed the cross on top of the church was missing. It is being redone. We will need a safe way to remount it on top of the church as it is heavy. The cross will be lit up as well ♦ Shirley Blancett asked for help with the altar linens as she is the only one doing them now. Terri Darr and Paulette Magee agreed to help her.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Kevin Darr asked how Evelyn Burns is doing now after her surgery. Ron Burns said it will be at least six more weeks before the effects from surgery will diminish. It will be three months until they know whether the surgery was effective or not. ♦ A Hail Mary was said for deceased parishioners Marilyn Anderson and Stan Rasmussen. ♦ It was mentioned that Carole Sooy had sold her house and would be moving soon. President Darr will be sure Tom Stapleton/Sunshine Report will be made aware of her leaving and send her a card.

## **CLOSING PRAYER**

Deacon Jaime led the closing prayer and reflection. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM. **Next meeting: Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 PM via Zoom.**

*Respectfully submitted,  
Secretary Terri Darr*