

ACT Meeting Notes
July 24, 2019

Present: Craig O’Leary, Emma O’Leary, Rich Mullin, Marian Mullin, Maureen McNabb, Wendy Hinerman, Rick Riedel, Kristy Riedel, John Carenbauer, Kathleen Dieffenbaugher, Jason Rine, Rob Krall, Marcy Hartzell, Kathleen Frank, Kevin Frank, Rex Lasure, Nancy Endrizzi, Chris Tiu

Opened with the Prayer to St. Michael

ACT Steering Committee in need of chairperson and secretary. Kathleen D offers to take notes/secretary role. Craig states that he and Emma will continue the role of organizers/chairs unless someone else steps forward.

Areas of need for subcommittees have been identified. Craig asks everyone to consider what subcommittee they would like to be a part of.

Support for Abuse Survivors: Rex Lasure

Support for our Priests: Kathleen D. and John Carenbauer

Support for our Youth/School: Marcy Hartzell, Kristy Riedel, Missy Tiu

Restore Trust in our Church Leaders: Chris Muroski and Jason Rine

Heal and Grow our Parish: Emma O’Leary

Prayer: Rich Emmerth

Successful ways that ACT has been involved in initiatives of support:

*Sanctuary candle for survivors

*Prayers of the Faithful

*“Wear blue to Mass” initiative: Fr. Carlos reminds us that it is important for us all to respect and give space to those that may not want to use this outward expression.

*Regular updates in the bulletin: can include pertinent articles of interest

*DWC steps on Financial Accountability

Fr. Carlos discusses the structure of the Diocesan Finance Council.

Discussion moves to the transparency of our own Finance Council. Ideas for increased transparency include: posting redacted Finance Council minutes on website; continue annual financial report in bulletin; posting all outgoing checks on the website for increased transparency of how St. Michael Parish money is spent.

Ongoing/future projects:

*School Supply Collection

*Speaker Dr. John Spiesman to present and facilitate on Aug. 14th. His presentation is titled “Hope, Faith Transforms”

*Distribution of “Letter to a Suffering Church”

* Letter to Bishop Brennan

Craig asks for our feedback to him about contents of letter

Goal is for the letter to be signed by Fr. Carlos on behalf of SMP and go into our bulletin and directly to the new bishop

We want to include an invitation to Bishop Brennan to come to St. Michael

Plan to join us on August 14th for 5:30pm Mass, followed by Dr. Spiceman’s presentation and Q & A, concluding with Rosary.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Weds., Sept. 4th.