

Agenda 10 15 16
AOD Diaconate Community Board

Call to Order 8:00 am –

Morning Prayer – bring your Breviary, phone or tablet

Role Call

Approval of Minutes for August 13, 2016

Report from Office of Clergy and Consecrated Life - Kevin

Old Business:

- Deacon assignments
 - publish
 - change date
- USCCB formation certification - update
- Convocation 2017 – Sept 29 – Oct 1 - update
- Day of Reflection at Solanus Casey Center – Saturday January 7, 2016
- Memorial marker – Introduced at November Memorial Mass – donations

New Business

Open Forum Discussion

Assignments

Meeting Adjournment

AOD Diaconate Community Board
Meeting Minutes October 15, 2016

Meeting called to order 8:10 am

Attendees: Dennis Loffreda, Bridget Loffreda, Kevin Breen, Sheila Breen, Tim Maxwell, Sharon Melenyk, Glenn Melenyk

Minutes of the meeting August 13, 2016 - accepted

Report from Office of Clergy and Consecrated Life – Kevin Breen

- Admin Position
 - Pia Carli resigned from the AOD central office effective September 1
 - As of Oct 15 interviews continue for a replacement
 - Katie and Sandra has been helping out whenever possible
- Ordination of the candidates on October 1 went very well – congratulations to them
- So far 6 candidates are scheduled for ordination next year
 - one additional candidate step down for personal reasons
 - ordination will be October 21, 2017
- Mini-Convocation at SHMS Saturday October 29 from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm
 - Steve Mitchell is the main presenter exploring evangelization looking at what Protestant Communities do
 - Glenn Melenyk will provide a short presentation of the upcoming Synod 16
 - The table questions prepared for last year's convocation will be presented
- Couples retreat: Feb 16-18 2017 at Capuchin Retreat Center - the retreat director will be Fr. Dan Crosby
- Solanus Casey Center visit – Saturday January 7, 2017 – Will include a tour and lunch probably a 10 am to 2 pm event – space may be limited details forthcoming
- Assignments
 - Delay in posting diaconate assignments due to change/loss of administrative staff
 - Revisited the idea from last meeting of having the Permanent Diaconate assignment date changed from July 1 to October 1.
 - Gives the deacons a chance to contact priest and parishes where there was a change in parish or pastor status
 - Kevin will speak with Msgr Hogan about moving the assignment date
- Next Diaconate information night is November 30 at SHMS

Old Business

- The USCCB visit
 - Letter from the archbishop requesting a visit still planned for November
 - Expected visit – March/April 2017
- Convocation 2017 still looking for speaker
 - Again mentioned that the deacon coordinate speakers with the priest
 - Msgr Kasza brought up the point at the last priest convocation planning meeting
 - Still considering a day of in-service training related to diaconate function

- The cost to engrave the diaconate memorial marker is about \$1400
 - The engraving will be identical on both side – as noted in the minute from August the inscription will be “Deacons of the Archdiocese of Detroit” with the St. Lawrence cross
 - Solicitation for contributions will be made at the Memorial Mass in November
 - Will be pre-announced in the Community Update
 - Contribution forms will be made available
- Nominations for the Community Board at large
 - Announce in Community Update in December to deacons and wives to consider serving for a two year commitment
 - Glenn will compose the request and submit it to Kevin for publication

New Business/Open Forum

- Discussion about the role of the regional coordinators
 - May be time to look at nominations/appointments for the position
 - Kevin had used them as stopgap until the community board was resurrected and to get out information quickly
 - The regional coordinator are invited to the community board meeting and it should be considered part of their duties
- Tim brought up more communities interaction at the regional level
 - Perhaps regional (of even sub-regional) get together should be plan - as simple as a Saturday morning fellowship/prayer to a planned event with a pot luck dinner
 - Will be part of the table questions
- Discussion about the Mosaic presentation last winter and what a success it was
 - Look to have another in the upcoming winter/spring
- Suggestion made about in service training
 - Mary Martin who speaks on Gifts and Talents – could help deacons discover what ministries are in keeping with their personality traits

Next meeting: Saturday December 17, 2016 at SHMS at 8 am – location will be in one of the Martha/Mary rooms near the cafeteria