



St. Mary's Men's Club

**Meeting Date: September 21, 2008**

**General Meeting Attendance**

Dave Kozlowski	Dan Fetsko	Rich Wanders	Jody Feldman
Al Hoffmeister	Jim Drake	Gene Wyatt	Jeff Collier
Harry Klug	Tony Cox	John Ricchuito	Dick Kollman
Shawn Hanlon	Jack Wolfe	Bob Boyd	Fred Cook
Mark Loboda			

**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Chairman Joe Palmeri called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.**

- **Opening Prayer led by John Soulliere.**
- **New Members – Welcome!**
  - Mark Loboda
  - Fred Cook
- **Break for Food**
  - Beverages, chips and pretzels. Meals will be served at designated meetings going forward but not all meetings.
- **Activity Hot List:**
  - Woman's CRHP Dinner – Saturday, 9/27.
  - SMMC Mass – Sunday, 10/12 at 9:30.
  - Men's CRHP Dinner – Saturday, 10/25.
  - Trunk or Treat – Sunday, 10/26.
  - Habitat Dollar Days – Masses in November (see additional details below).
  - Ham Sales, Family Christmas Breakfast, Poinsettia Deliveries – December 2008.
  - First Seafood Dinner – Friday 2/20.
- **Vice-Chairman Remarks – Brian O'Connor**
  - Next Men's Club Mass will be on 10/12 at 9:30. Sign-up sheets for all ministries and choir were circulated. Two choir practices will be held and will be announced shortly. Reminder to wear white shirts and ties as usual.
- **Spiritual Remarks – John Soulliere**
  - SMMC Rosary at next General in October in place of a speaker.
  - Men's Club retreat will be in late January. Date will be announced in the near future.
  - Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday. If interested, please see John Ricchuito for more information.
- **Service – Jeff Collier**
  - Habitat Dollar Days are coming in November at the following masses: 11/1-5:30; 11/2-8:00, 9:30, 11:30; and 11/22-5:30. Sign-up sheets were circulated.



- **Reading of the Minutes – None**
  - There was no general meeting in August.

#### **Treasurer – Greg Wallis for Joe Sharkey**

- \$10,590 Morgan Bank balance.
- \$5,342 in St. Mary Foundation.
- Two disbursements since August meeting.
  - Eucharistic Adoration - \$200
  - Toner for SMMC newsletter - \$67
- Dues for 2008-09 are now due.

#### **Old Business**

- 2009-10 will be the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St. Mary Church and there are many activities planned throughout the year starting in September 2009. SMMC needs to be prepared to help for these important events. Planning committee meetings are already underway.
- Upcoming Speakers/Events/Food for October-November:
  - October: Rosary
  - November: Fun event (e.g., putting contest). Submit your ideas.
  - December: No General meeting.
  - Other possibilities for 2009 are Terry Pluto and Tom Vince.

#### **New Business**

- St. Mary Pre-school is celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 10/5/08. SMMC has been asked to cook a picnic type lunch from 12:30 to 3:00. St. Mary Parish will cover the expense and SMMC will supply labor for cooking. The sign-up sheet will go out by e-mail once all the details are nailed down.
- Orphan's Prayer will be holding their first fund raiser on 10/26/08 from 1:30-3:30, called "Trunk or Treat". Families and organizations can sponsor a parking spot for \$50 in the upper lot and decorate their trunk/spot and hand-out candy. The upper lot will be blocked off to all traffic and kids will then go "Trunk or Treating" in a safe area. SMMC will sponsor a spot and hand-out candy. Additionally, SMMC volunteers will provide assistance for safety/traffic control, cookies, punch, etc. The sign-up sheet will go out by e-mail as we get nearer to the event.

#### **Speaker**

Mark Loboda is a parishioner and new SMMC member. Mark and his wife lead the Orphan's Prayer, which is a ministry serving children who have been orphaned and abandoned due to HIV/AIDS in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. For more information about the Orphan's Prayer, go to [www.the-orphansprayer.org](http://www.the-orphansprayer.org).

The next General Meeting will be on October, 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Greg Wallis

Secretary  
*St. Mary's Men's Club*