

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2007

The Parish Pastoral Council meeting was called to order by Steve Rhodes at 6:00 p.m. with scripture and prayers by Fr. Dennis.

Pastoral Council members present: Fr. Dennis, Steve Rhodes, Dan Arndt, Deacon Chris, Bill Michie, Kim Fagan, John Marchal, Barbara Tucci, Jim Cashman, Joel Delabruere, Candice Rhodes. Others in attendance: Marge Cashman, Gene and Martha Skalsky,

Steve Rhodes asked Martha Skalsky if she would take minutes again for the meeting.

The election of Pastoral Council members is Saturday and Sunday not just Sunday. There were no other corrections. The minutes were approved with corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FALL FESTIVAL: Jeff Everts, chairman, no report.

YOUTH REPORT: Candice Rhodes and Joel Delabruere both shared in a brief report regarding the upcoming activities and retreats planned. On January 27th a Diocesan Youth Conference with workshops and February 16th - 18th is Antioch weekend retreat, in our Parish; on February 23rd - 24th a Conference on Human Sexuality in Tallahassee, and March 16th - 18th the Abbey Youth Festival in Louisiana.

STEWARDSHIP: Bill Michie, inquired about the printing of our Sunday Bulletin and if we get 1 free printing. The free printing is based on the number of advertisers on the back of bulletin. Bill reported that he will be meeting with the committee on CSA. Contributions made over the CSA assessment could be put in a building fund as the overage is returned to us (100%) tax free. We could use that info when talking to the parishioners about CSA.

ALTAR SERVER'S: Deacon Chris stated that he had taken pictures of all the Altar Servers and wants to put them on a bulletin board display so that parishioner's can see who they are. The question is where to do this - in the Vestibule? It was suggested to ask the parents if they object to name of Server under picture. It was also suggested to take the pictures to the Clergy appreciation Night. Deacon Chris said that he still had to get some pictures of servers.

ORGANIZATION'S: Kim Fagan reported on the following: The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary- will be helping the Knights with the decorating for Clergy Appreciation on January 19th and she had talked to Mr. Skalsky regarding all Altar Servers being contacted, they had he taken care of this and advised that all the Altar Servers parents are also invited.; Ladies Society is having a Bake Sale in February and in March a St. Patrick's Day event. The Society meeting is February 7th at 7:00 p.m.

JOHN MARCHALL, gave a report on: the Knights of Columbus upcoming events. Clergy Night will be January 19th. They have started a new Bingo program to draw more

participation. . Tootsie Roll drive will be coming up soon. They can not do road side soliciting in Milton.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Jim Cashman said that the 1st half of the fiscal year is over and that he needed to set a time to meet with Fr. Dennis to go over the books and accounts.

Barbara Tucci reported the following: She had gone along to help with the Prison Ministry and they had their picture made. **FAMILY PROMISE:** St Rose will be hosting 2 families this month (Jan. 14th - 20th) Volunteers who signed up still need to go to a volunteer Host training session. Louise Egler is planning the meals for the families. Any questions, contact Julie Catone.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - Dan Arndt said only 1 person has submitted application. Suggested that the committee get to gather and go out and look for candidate's to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council. Have 4 candidates to be on the ballot for parishioner's to choose from. Much discussion regarding term of years to serve on Council; approaching the Hispanic Community; also suggested that a copy of the Council's constitution be given to each candidate so they can understand what the Parish Pastoral Council is all about, and to give a copy of the Constitution to all Council member. Each Council member serves for 3 years. (The 3 year terms of office is staggered). Suggested to have Claudia put the Pastoral Council's Constitution on the Website for those who want to review it. Pastoral Council Elections will be Saturday, January 27th and Sunday, January 28th at all Masses. Dan was advised to check with Connie and Claudia regarding ballots

President Steve Rhodes asked for a proposal to be drafted for change in the Constitution on the number of years (Term) served on Parish Pastoral Council. Kim Fagan said she would draft proposal.

Advent Parish Mission on December 4th, 5th, and 6th went well. The next Parish Mission will be March 3rd thru 7th. Fr. Berry, SP, will be here.

IMPLEMENTATION TEAM REPORTS: Steve Rhodes announced that the Pastoral Council wants each chairman of the Implementation Teams to come to the Council meeting and give a report.

COMMUNICATIONS: Steve reported that the Team is still working on a few things.

PARISH LIFE CENTER: Martha Skalsky reported that the Team met on the January 7th and are moving along with the project plans - visiting other Parishes with Life Centers; will start talking at all Masses regarding the projections beginning on January 13th/14th and January 20th/ 21st. Town Hall informational gathering is set for February 4th after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Refreshments will be served. Next schedule Team meeting is January 31st after 7:00 p.m. Mass, in the St. Theresa Room.

LITURGY/MUSIC: Fr. Dennis reported that an article about Reverence will be in the bulletin.

Survey Results - What ways we can fill our purpose? Where are we in fulfillment?

Discussion on various topics: Hospitality - donut social once a month, can improve on this. How was not clarified. The difference in percentages for the various ethnic groups Hispanic/Latino 6%, Asian 14%; Generation involvement comparatively Post Vatican II with our Parish is higher than the national parishioner involved - Council members need to wear name tags so that parishioners know them.; a program for inactive Catholics.

For next meeting (February) Council members are asked to review Survey Results pages 14 to 22 and be prepared to discuss them.

Kim Fagan gave a brief outline on Pastoral Council Education and Leadership in all level's. - Fr. Dennis indicated that Goal Leadership and Leadership of Volunteers are different that paid leadership.

Pastoral Council Retreat: at Nativity is March 24th at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude with Saturday evening Mass upstairs. Council members should be there by 9:30 a.m. Retreat projects; there are 2 phases of Pastoral retreat; Spiritual - at 10:00 a.m. sharp and Planning and Goal Setting. Fr. Dennis asked members to write down goals that they/we want to be done in a year.

Bill Michie gave a brief report about Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA), that the committee will be meeting shortly. Fr. Dennis said that a brochure will be going to everyone soon.

Fr. Dennis explained that the money contributed goes to help support the various ministries in the Diocese. (Education/Family Life/the Religious - It cost about \$50,00.00 a year for each Seminarian) All money contributed over the assessed amount is returned to us 100% tax Free. 2006 assessment was \$80,317.00. The goal was met and we were over by \$13,331.46 which is returned to us 100% tax free and was deposited in the savings account. Our assessment is less for 2007, estimated \$74,000.00+. Bill wants to encourage the giving to CSA with overage going toward building our Parish Life Center Facility. The Fall Festival proceeds \$21,000.00 will be taxed.

Deacon Chris will do Leadership pages 90-91 for next meeting.

**For February 6th closing prayer - Barbara Tucci
Meeting was closed with Prayer at 8:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Martha Skalsky
Secretary Pro-tem**