

# Saint Joseph Parish Council

October 11, 2010  
St Patrick Center 6:00 PM

**I. Opening Prayer.** Father Ken

**II. Members Present:** Carlo Ardito, Adalia(Dilly) Ardito, Fr Jose Berrera, Matt Bedel, Debbie Bieker, Sister Joseph Cecile, Joe Garcia, Verona Gilliland, Diana Hanebrink, Juanita Horrocks, John Maginnis, Mike Martinez, Joan Opheikens, Loie Rock, Patricia Siliezar, Tami Snyder, Beth Starrett, Betty Valdez, Fr Ken Vialpando, Kathryn Young, Sr Mary Zenzen.

### **III. Pastor's Report**

Vocations Committee

As yet there is no Vocation Committee, but Fr Ken reminds us that we are all a part of this committee and should be praying for vocations and also to be talking to others about it. Please keep Stephen Tilley, our seminarian, in your prayers, along with Vanessa Tovar who will take this year to discern her vocation to the Carmelites and one other young lady from our parish who is contemplating joining the Franciscan order.

Respect For Life Committee

The next meeting is Wednesday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 4PM in the Rectory. Fr would like to remind us of the poor among us and that we need to be aware of them in our community. This is an especially hard time and so many more people have been affected. The shelters cannot keep up with the families that are now coming and needing help. The rise in teen suicides is very alarming. We need to give hope to all of these.

In regards to several of the suicides around the nation, there is a book called, *'In Quiet Desperation'* which speaks about the same-sex struggle and suicide of one individual. This book is written by his parents who are encouraging pastors, parents and teachers to be aware of the suicides, while at the same time being true to the teachings of the gospel regarding same-sex unions.

Vacations

Fr Ken will be on vacation from October 27<sup>th</sup> through November 4<sup>th</sup>.

All Saints Day will not be a holy day of obligation this year as it falls on a Monday. We are still encouraged to attend Mass that day.

On November 19<sup>th</sup> we will have a celebration for all 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries or birthdays. There will be a bi-lingual Mass at 6PM with a potluck dinner at 7PM to which everyone is invited. CCW and Knights of Columbus are asked to add their expertise to the event.

Thanksgiving Day is November 25<sup>th</sup>. Father will most likely have the Mass the night before as having it on Thanksgiving Day would conflict with the Run/Walk that Fr Cummins holds on that day.

Advent begins on Sunday November 28<sup>th</sup>. This will be a good time to start preparation and education on the changes that will take place in the Mass as of the beginning of 2011. Fr Ken will get a booklet that explains the changes to the Parish Council to study. The Hanebrinks will be helping Father with this process.

Southwest Liturgical Council will be held February 2-5, 2011 in Salt Lake City. All are invited to attend but especially Parish Council, RCIA and religious education teachers. This takes the place of the Fall Religious Education Conference. Check out the website for more information [www.swlcslc.org](http://www.swlcslc.org).

#### **IV. Associate Pastor - Fr Jose**

The Spanish community is very excited about the building fund and is having many fundraisers to raise money for it. On October 23 there will be a retreat on Christian Initiation. Fr Jose has been very busy since he got here. He goes to school in the morning every day and then has been helping out at St Rose Of Lima parish.

Building Fund Committee Meeting is Tuesday October 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM.

#### **V. Pastoral Associate - Sr Joseph Cecile**

The face of the poor in our community has changed. It is now more families that come to the shelter for help. There are not enough rooms for the families in the present facility, so the new facility is needed as soon as possible. We all need to do what we can. Any amount we give is helpful.

Sr Joseph is celebrating on Sunday the first canonization of a saint from the Holy Cross Community. It is Brother Andrea of Montreal. He had a great devotion to St Joseph and is credited with many healings. Sister will be going to Salt Lake to celebrate with her community there. Congratulations!

#### **VI. Religious Community - Sr Mary Zenzen**

There is a grave need for new vocations. The sisters started with eleven and are now down to only six. Keep the sisters along with the Trappist monks in your prayers for new vocations to their communities.

#### **VII. RCIA - Diana Hanebrink**

Diana is trying to get the parents involved with the children in RCIA. Almost every week they have new people joining and the new people are very happy that they don't have to wait to start. This year there will be about fifty people in the Spanish community in RCIA and for the English speaking there are seven adults and ten children that will be baptized sometime during the Easter services.

### **VIII. Financial Report - Juanita Horrocks**

Building fund has a goal of \$2,000,000 with \$372, 000 already pledged and \$237,000 of that collected.

Our weekly collections range from \$7000-\$10,000.

The Fun Festival made almost \$5000.

### **IX. CCW - Debbie Bieker**

Debbie introduced the new president, Betty Valdez. The CCW has been very busy. They've hosted 19 funeral luncheons since May. They will have a breakfast after the Sunday morning Masses on October 31<sup>st</sup>. There will only be one meeting, which will be on Tuesday's at 12PM in the church basement.

### **X. Knights of Columbus - Joe Garcia**

The Knights will serve coffee and donuts after Mass on October 17<sup>th</sup>. They will host a full breakfast on October 24<sup>th</sup>. The Community Bingo will be on Friday November 5<sup>th</sup> in the church basement. The big prize for the raffle will be a 32" flat screen TV.

### **XI. Perpetual Adoration - Joan Opheikens**

We have over 300 adorers and for the most part is running very smoothly since March 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be a meeting for all adorers and any new people interested in finding out more about adoration this Wednesday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7PM, English in the church and Spanish in the basement of the church. Diana & Tony Hanebrink will be speaking about praying together as a couple. Fr Jose will speak with the Spanish speaking community.

### **XII. Jail Ministry - Matt Bedel**

There is a need for more volunteers. Only six people divide up all the facilities in the area. One person will go to one of the facilities and lead a bible study of the week's reading with anywhere from 2-30 people. Please pray that we get more volunteers.

### **XIII. Next Meeting:**

Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM St. Patrick's Center

### **XIV. Closing prayer - Fr Ken**