

Wednesday, November 21, 2009

Pastoral Council Minutes

Present: Father Bill, Marilyn Wickel, Mike Mastro, John Cole, Phyllis Baker, Roger Malone, Bill Harrison, Pam Casserly

Absent: Kevin Dean, Eileen Papsen

Opening Prayer: Pam Casserly

Music Ministry was unable to attend our meeting. Jim Weber will be contacted to reschedule on December 7th, or February 20th, 2010.

The liaison schedule was updated. As referenced in the Pastoral Council Communication Plan part C: It is the responsibility of the liaison to get to know their particular ministry, maintain an open dialogue with them, and let them know what kind of information the council will be waiting to hear at meetings. The ministry chair is invited to Pastoral Council meetings to ensure continuing dialogue, to share information, and update the Council on the status and direction of the ministry. The core of the ministry update is to communicate how they are relating to the 5 year plan.

Marilyn is updating the prayer schedule with new meeting dates and corresponding readings.

The Town Hall meeting was well attended. We will revisit the topic to have another Town Hall meeting in the spring.

Connxions Ministry:

- Father Herbert came to the last vitality coffee after the 10:30 Mass on 11/8/09, as he was visiting for Stewardship Weekend on that same day.. A contribution of approximately \$4500.00 was sent to his parish, St. Mary's.
- The companion list for new members has been assembled.
- This ministry is still looking for additional members.

A new bulletin format is debuting at Masses on the First Sunday of Advent.

Long Term Vision (Father Bill)

There was a dialogue on the latest financial report and budget.

There was a discussion of the second sign of a Vibrant Parish: "liturgy inspires active participation and offers an experience of God".

Father Bill, Lyle Garcia, Marilyn Wickel, Jim DeVito, and Mary Connolly will meet to evaluate the Signs of Vibrant Parishes and possibly use it as an agenda for the 5 year plan. Father Bill will report to the Council about the outcome of this meeting.

Lyle Garcia will attend the February 20th Pastoral Council meeting to help evaluate our purpose and Pastoral Council effectiveness based on his experience as a corporate member and past Pastoral Council member.

Long Term Vision for the Year will be at the top of our next agenda.

Closing prayer: Father Bill

Next meeting: Monday, December 7, 2009

Respectfully submitted by: Pam Casserly