

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 01/24/12

Members Present: Phyllis Hofer, Father Troy, Pat Dessner, Thomas Johnson, Paul Horak, Heidi Vittetoe, Rich Pierson, Linda Gent, and Sonia Ponce

The meeting was called to order by President Phyllis Hofer at 7:00 pm. Father Troy led the council in prayer.

Church Life: Pat Dessner reported, there will be a soup supper/fundraiser on February 25th followed by a game night. At this fundraiser you can vote on your favorite soup by donating money to place your vote, donations will go to Mary's meals.

Faith Formation: Linda Gent reported, faith formation classes will resume February 5th.

Family Life: Rich Pierson reported that Beth McBride will be the new Family Life representative.

Liturgy and worship: Paul Horak reported that the new Roman Missal has been implemented. Working on establishing wording and music/songs. It will take time, but we are all working on it! Worked on decorating and undecorating for Christmas. Need to recruit men lectors and extraordinary ministers, as well as, mass assistants. Fr. Troy stated that on the alter please remember to wear appropriate attire (e.g. slacks, dress, **not jeans!**).

Maintenance: No report. Heidi reported there will be a mtg on Thursday, Jan 26th.

Social Action: Phyllis Hofer reported, committee hosted Sunday coffee on Dec 11th. Pat Dessner reported, flowers were made in December for the Guadalupe celebration. This was a joint project with Hispanic parishioners as an effort to share cultures and get to know each other. A new schedule has been received for Meals on Wheels and St. James has been asked to deliver meals from June 25th-July 27th. Parish-wide project, St. James has the opportunity to participate in the "Soup Kitchen". This is ongoing every Saturday from 11:30-1pm at the UP Church, it is FREE and open to the public. If St. James wants to participate we will be responsible for providing food and serving every other month, need coordinators and volunteers.

Stewardship: Rich Pierson reported have not had meeting yet, meeting soon.

School Board: Fr. Troy reported, Catholic school week is next week. Tues 31st There will be an "Alive After five" event in Tobin Hall.

Finance Council: Heidi Vittetoe reported, they will meet next week.

Fr. Troy report: Putting together a committee to explore the options for music ministry. Need new energy and vitality to music ministry. Currently looking at job description, budget etc.. Janis will be retiring at the end of this school year, will be putting together a committee to look for replacement. Hispanic ministry is meeting once a month to meet needs of Hispanic parishioners. One of the things that is being put into place is child care for hispanic families during mass.

**No corrections or additions to the minutes--minutes stand approved as written.

Old Business: Beth McBride has filled the family life commission vacancy. Church renovation update...Hoping to have new lighting and sound system by Easter 2012. Commission meeting minutes and school board need to/should be posting minutes on the website.

New business: No new business!

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m. by Phyllis Hofer. Strategic Planning took place after parish council meeting.

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, February 28th

Recorded by: Sonia Ponce, Secretary
Pending Approval at Feb 28th meeting.

CURRENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Father Troy Richmond (At Large)

Ban Berdo (Maintenance)

Heidi Vittetoe (Lay Director)

Genoveva Diaz (Faith Formation)

Mike Driscoll (School Board)

Phyllis Hofer (Social Action)

Carl Berst (Trustee)

Becky Adam (Church Life)

Rich Pierson (Stewardship)

Sonia Ponce (At Large)