

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
November 5, 2012

Council Members Attending: Father Jim, Deacon Herb, Sue Buchholz, Arlene Gross, Jim Jordan, Christine Stinson, Paul Messineo and Renae Brinza

Old Business

Opening prayer by Fr. Jim

(1) Parish Pictorial Directory – reported by Arlene for Mary Jo

- Final layout has been sent to the company; we are waiting for the proof
- After our final approval, it takes 3 weeks to print
- Goal is to have the directories out for Christmas but it doesn't look good

(2) Ladies of Charity – Deacon Riley

- Received information from the diocese regarding this organization
- Father Jim also got information from the web
- Ladies of Charity are very similar to the Legion of Mary organization
- Ladies of Charity are the female version of the St. Vincent DePaul Society

Action Items: Deacon Riley will call the woman at the diocese to come and speak to us at St. Colman

(3) Evangelization meeting with Deacon Alex Wroblicky

- Mary Jo still waiting to hear from Deacon Wroblicky

Action Items: Mary Jo will contact Deacon Wroblicky

(4) Parish Mission Update – Paul

- Title of Father Scott's mission is : Life is Difficult but God is Good
- Father Scott is coming May 19, 2013
- Father Scott will attend the morning masses at St. Colman and preach
- The evening services last between 60 and 75 minutes. The agenda is:
 - Sunday: A Christian Response to Stress
 - Monday: Celebrating our Families
 - Tuesday: The Art of Forgiveness
 - Wednesday: Finding True Happiness
- After the Tuesday's talk, he will hear confessions but would like other priests there too.
- Father Scott may or may not have a fee for his service

Action Items: Paul and Jim to create the insert flyer for the bulletin and to create the "teasers" to print in the bulletin.

- (5) Long range goals for the parish – a draft of the Strategic Plan is being prepared
- Four areas – Worship, Stewardship, Education, Evangelization
 - Suggest a working session of Pastoral Council
 - Suggest a Vision statement be developed for St. Colman
 - Suggest a SWOT analysis be prepared by Pastoral Council

New Business

1. Volunteer Sunday – Deacon Riley
- Tentative date is Sunday, June 2nd – after the Parish Mission

Action Items: Paul & Jim to revise the Volunteer Form to encompass the needs of St. Colman

2. Year of Faith – Deacon Riley
- Pope asked everyone to participate
 - Suggest a monthly daily Eucharist Exposition
 - October 11, 2012 through November 24, 2013
 - Last Wednesday of every month to coincide with Holy Hour
 - Begin after 8:30 mass and close with benediction at 6:30
 - Someone needs to be in church at all times
3. Comcast proposed contract/rates – Deacon Riley
- Comcast is to begin charging us for airing our daily and Sunday mass
 - Proposed rate is \$4.38 for ½ hour; we use 3.5 hours per week
 - 3.5 hours x 52 weeks x \$4.38 = approximate \$797.16
4. Extraordinary Ministers for 5:30 Mass – Deacon Riley
- We are in desperate need of extraordinary ministers
 - Each EM will be assigned one 5:30 mass; Eucharist only – no cups

Action Items: Arlene will reflect this change in the EM schedule.

5. Diocesan Capital Campaign – Father Jim
- The Dioceses wants to raise \$125M over the next five years
 - Each church is assessed 175% of their last two years collections- our goals is \$600K
 - Meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 13th @ 7pm at St. John Fisher
 - Father Jim will be there; Renae will attend as a representative of Pastoral Council

Action Items: Father and Renae will report on this meeting.

6. Pastoral Council Conference – Jim Jordan
- Hold this report until next Pastoral Council Meeting
7. For the Good of the Parish – Deacon Riley
- Nothing to report

Next Meeting is Monday, February 4, 2013 at 7pm