



## **I. Debbie Fish called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm**

## **II. Prayer – Father Vern**

## **III. Agenda Items**

### **A. Acceptance of Pastoral Council Minutes**

Motion to accept: Pat Antonovich

Seconded: Marianne Abuselmi

### **B. Review Agenda, Calendar**

### **C. Commission Reports**

#### **1. Communications**

--developed a process for the commission nominations (outline e-mailed to commission members)

--A-frame sign that Dave Adams made was broken by the wind; Dave will repair it.

#### **2. Faith Development**

--there have been two of the social-justice sessions; they are going well

#### **3. Family Life**

-- Pat Crosby and Beth Buczko could not be here, but Fr. Vern reports that their initiatives are going well.

#### **4. Hospitality**

--nothing new to report

#### **5. Spiritual Life**

--schedule for Holy Week is out

--no information yet on content of the mission; Fr. McCarthy may do an extra session on Tuesday afternoon for elderly parishioners who don't go out in the evening.

#### **6. Vocations**

-- purchased two books for home kit: one on priesthood, one on Eucharist

--ordered Easter cards to send to seminarians

## **III. Old Business**

### **A. Monument to the Unborn**

--original kneeler won't work

-- instead, a bench made of pink granite [n.b. last month's minutes said pink marble; that should have been granite]

--bench will not require such an extensive footing

--\$1100 for bench; \$5/letter for engraving

## **IV. New Business**

### **A. Recruitment Process for Pastoral Council**

- Schedule: two commissions will describe their work each weekend
  - April 18: Communications and Hospitality
  - April 25: Vocations and Spiritual Life
  - May 2: Faith Development and Family Life
- Mother's Day weekend: insert in bulletin will explain all the commissions and the overall nomination process: that is, that people can put themselves forward to serve on a commission for a year (then elections of chair of the commission will take place within the commission)
- May 16-17: Volunteer nomination forms will be passed out on entry
- Possible names for this campaign: "Lend-a-Hand Campaign"—and the forms are "RSVP forms"

### **B. Pastoral Council Time Change from 7:30 to 7:00?**

- No; some people who come from work can't make it at the earlier time.

### **C. Notes from Fr. Vern**

1. Time to do the parish directory (it has been five years).
  - March 16, Communications Commission will meet with Dave Wade (photographer, working with Lifetouch)
  - copious scheduling times, plus you can schedule through website
  - composite photo, using miniatures of all the parish photos, to form an image of St. Francis
  - Fr. Vern will mention it in Easter letter
2. Rectory proposal
  - \$330,000; \$56,000 contingency (estimate does not include land development)
  - 3,000 sq. ft. house, 4 bedrooms, "house-of-the-week" CAD plan (\$1,000); can print out as many copies as necessary
  - Take bids from parish; Fr. Vern can do some of the finishing work
  - will meet with Bishop; then diocese must approve

## **V. Topics for Next Meeting**

- More on Monument to Unborn
- Vocations: concert for and by the seminarians
- Dan Kane Singers

## **VI. Closing Prayer**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:30.**

**The next meeting will be on April 7.**