

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF

May 3, 2011

Present at the meeting**

Father Vern Decoteau, pastor
Debbie Fish, chair
Paula Moran, co-chair
Francesca Forrest, secretary
Deacon Bill Brawner, deacon
Dave Adams, communications
Ray Fontaine, communications
Courtney Crosby, communications
Jeanne Brzycki, liaison communications, deanery council rep
Beth Buczko, family life
Dottie Adams, hospitality
Frank Adams, hospitality
Therese Rakouskas, marriage enrichment (Teams of Our Lady)
Franco Dell'Olio, vocations
Stan Wyman, finance committee
Everett Hume, diocesan rep, deanery council rep

***This list represents those who signed the attendance sheet or those whom the secretary recalls being present. Minutes can be corrected to include others who were in attendance.*

I. Meeting called to order around 7:30

2. Prayer – Father Vern

3. Previous minutes and current agenda accepted; calendar reviewed

4. Commission Reports

A. Communications

- Louise Christ already books the Pine Room and the Tovey Room, so she will take on the booking of the various spaces in the gathering space for church groups. People will call in to reserve, and she'll tell them the rules.
- We'll have a bulletin stuffing to explain this
- We'll put the new procedure into place after the June pastoral council meeting
- Motion passed to accept this.

B. Family Life

- Will be having a movie night on June 25

C. Hospitality

- 73 people signed up for Holy Thursday potluck
- Holy Saturday cake for baptisms
- Also refreshments for Confirmation

D. Marriage Enrichment

- Trying to get two or three more couples to join the third TOOL group, which only has four couples (other two have seven and five, respectively).

E. Spiritual Life

- Holy Week: Done! Fr. Vern thrilled w/ turnout
- Music workshop May 16 because of missal changes

F. Vocations

- Busy with seminarians' luncheon, which will be on May 29 (lunch at 12:00)
- \$20 for adults, \$12 for ages 6–14; \$6 for under 6.
- Three to be ordained this year; seven or eight to be ordained next year
- Seminarian gift box (accepting money cards)

5. Old Business

A. Review policy on using communication display boards, tables

- (covered above under communications commission report)

6. New Business

A. Video on new missal

B. Update on the situation with the *Catholic Mirror*

- We have a three-year obligation
- The price is still expected to come down
- We're one of only five parishes that take advantage of the opportunity to have a personalized last page
- It's a tool for evangelizing

C. Stan Wyman report from April 19 Finance Council meeting

- Serious financial situation
- We will have to cut people unless we can get more income
- \$59,000 deficit over nine months
- Easter collection was \$1,000 less than last year
- Need a new chairman for the fundraising committee (Stan stepping down in four months)

7. Closing Remarks and Prayer

The next meeting will be on June 7, 2011.