

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF

November 3, 2009

Name	Position	6/2 /09	9/1 /09	10/ 06/ 09	11/ 03/ 09
Father Vern Decoteau	Pastor	X	X	X	X
Bill Brawner	Deacon	X	X	X	X
Peter Naranjo	Seminarian	X	(no longer here)		
Paul Pierce	Chair	X	X	X	X
Debbie Fish	Co-Chair	X		X	X
Francesca Forrest	Secretary	X	X	X	X

Name	Position	6/2 /09	9/1 /09	10/ 06/ 09	11/ 03/ 09
Bill Bowen	Communications		X		X
Dave Adams	Communications	X	X	X	X
Paula Moran	Faith Development	X			X
Lorie Erickson	Family Life			X	X
Beth Buczko	Family Life	X	X	X	X
Pam Letendre	Hospitality	X	X	X	X
Rob Letendre	Hospitality			X	
Pat Antonovich	Spiritual Life		X	X	X
Judy Dudek	Spiritual Life	X	X	X	X
Rita Gallagher	Vocations	X	X		X
Franco and Carla Dell'Olio	Vocations	X	X	X	X

Nonvoting Members/Attendees

Name	Position	6/2/ 09	9/1/ 09	10/6 /09	11/3 /09
Judy Tricky	Ex-officio Member, Religious Education	X		X	X
Jeanne Brzycki	Liaison Communications	X		X	X
Ray Fontaine	Liaison Communications	X	X	X	X

Stan Wyman	Finance Committee	X	X	X	X
Donna Grady	Liaison Music		X		X
Everett Hume	Deanery Council Rep.	X	X	X	
Lisa Desroches	Calendar Keeper		X		

I. Paul Pierce called the meeting to order at 7:30

II. Prayer – Father Vern

III Presentation from “Our Lady’s Team”

Two couples from St. Cecilia’s explained how this marriage support group works. A team consists of five to seven couples, who meet once a month for about 2 ½ –3 hours. They share a meal, study the Gospel, and talk about their lives. A chaplain is also present (pastor or deacon). To form a team, a pilot couple (one that is already part of a team) meets with prospective couples for five meetings, guiding them through a training program (with booklets). Then the team is on its own. Each year it elects a “responsible couple” for the year. This couple does the administrative work. There are dues associated with having a team: materials fees and chapter fee.

These couples would be willing to host an information session for the parish.

IV. Agenda Items

A. Acceptance of Pastoral Council Minutes

B. Review Agenda, Calendar

C. Commission Reports

1. Communications

-- Living Rosary was a success

2. Faith Development

--(Brought us “Our Lady’s Team”)

3. Family Life

--CYO basketball program is absorbing kids from closed parishes into other parish teams. St. Francis has full 3rd and 4th grade teams, but not many 7th and 8th grade players, so they’ll play with other parishes.

-- Food Pantry: problem of cleaning the fridge. Roseann would like to have all organizations who use the fridge sign up to be in charge of cleaning it for a month. Franco Dell’Olio suggested keeping a calendar on the fridge to keep track of stuff in it.

Stan Wyman suggested that all unlabeled food is simply thrown out each Friday; have stockers and rotators do it as part of their duties.

4. Hospitality

--No news

5. Spiritual Life

- November 10th is the Mass of Remembrance
- the commission is gearing up for Advent. Will sell candles.

6. Vocations

- New prayers in book
- New addresses for seminarians
- Christmas cards for seminarians half done.
- working with K of C to host a brunch buffet on November 15th to raise money for Peter Naranjo and for the building fund. Two seatings, 8:30 and 11:30

D. Old Business

1. Welcoming new parishioners

- Waiting for lead from father

2. Epiphany lessons and carols event

- Got script from cathedral

3. Rectory

- Waiting for land engineer's plans
- Construction will begin in April

E. New Business

1. "Our Lady's Team" (covered above)

2. There will be a Christmas concert on December 13

- either tickets will be sold or there will be an opportunity to donate on the day

3. Finances

- Stan Wyman reports that we are running behind last year, fund-wise, for the first four months of this fiscal year.

4. Gift to Chestnut Hill

- In thanks for use of school for Generations of Faith
- Rather than usual gift of \$500, Judy Trickey proposes buying the school a new TV and DVD player, which then the G of F program would be able to use.

F. Next Meeting

- will be held in usual location (i.e., Tovey Room) following lighting of the crèche and refreshments at the K of C building.

V. Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next meeting will be on December 1.

