



Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2007

“Journey with Us Building God’s Holy Family”

Members in Attendance: Karen Jensen, Tony Kapkowski, Bob Metz, Mary Naughton, Michele Sobota, Bob Schallerer, Lawton Swan, Maureen Zientek, Marj Logan

Members Absent: Fr. John Tapp, Frances Kasimer, Paul Wittine

The Pastoral Council meeting opened at 6:06 p.m. with prayer led by Bob Metz. It was followed by reflection and sharing on Chapter Two of *From Maintenance to Mission* led by Mary Naughton.

Minutes from the January 23rd meeting were accepted as written.

Committee Reports

Due to the time constraints, there were no committee reports.

Old Business

Twinning

- Lawton Swan reported that the Subcommittee met on Sunday with Jim Stitt from St. Paul’s parish. Bob Metz has a CD of the PowerPoint presentation and will make the CDs available. St. Paul’s is doing a parallel project with an out-of-state parish rather than working together as we originally believed. Only 15% of the population on the Ile de la Gonave is Catholic even though 85% of the mainland of Haiti is Catholic. St. Paul’s would welcome our participation and any resources we can provide. A flyer about St. Paul and their twin parish was distributed.
- It was agreed that the subcommittee should prepare a recommendation and a fact sheet that can be widely distributed to acquaint the parish with where we are going.
- A flyer announcing a Parish Twinning Workshop on Sat., March 17 was distributed. The workshop is sponsored by a Diocesan Sub-Committee on Parish Twinning.

Parish Photo Directory

- Michele Sobota reported that the committee will meeting to layout the extra pages and to discuss other issues.
- March 21 will be a make-up day for photos.
- 395 families have had their photos taken.

M/OMs

- Maureen asked the Smile-and-Dial callers to make their reminder calls early since Michele August has received only about 20 RSVPs.
- She circulated a sign-up sheet for needed assistance for the Sunday and Monday meetings.

F.A.S.T.

- Marj Logan reported that 621 people attended the F.A.S.T. rally on Feb. 27. We are trying to get 200 people to attend the Nehemiah Assembly on Monday, March 12. Fr. John will be doing the homilies this weekend, and will be urging people to attend. It is hoped that a total of over 2000 people will attend the Assembly.
- Marj noted that numerous officials from the County and its cities would be attending. F.A.S.T. has finally obtained a meeting with Mayor Rick Baker of St. Petersburg on March 5th at 8 A.M.

50th Anniversary

- The Christian Youth Concert on February 17 was a big success. There were 400 people of all ages there. We may do it again next year.
- “Y” night was also successful with 275 attending.
- The final events will be the Closing Mass on Saturday, March 17, followed by the St. Patrick’s Day dinner dance. Ministries will need to identify people to carry their banners for the closing Mass.

New Business

- Mary reported that the parish newsletter is being revived and input will be welcome.
- We need to set up a committee for nominations for next year’s Pastoral Council. Fr. John usually announces it in March.

Next Meeting

- We still need a group picture of Council, so we will take the photo at the MARCH meeting.

Council adjourned at 6:52 p.m. with the Lord’s Prayer. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2007, in the Church Office, Room 201, at 7 PM. Parishioners are always invited, and Council encourages parishioners to attend.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Naughton