

PASTORIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 15, 2011

Note: No December meeting. Next meeting will be held on January 17, 2012.

ATTENDEES

Fr. Pete Alliata, Don Mueller, Barbara Johnson, Patricia Dellar, Rocky Ragano, Carolyn Smithburger, Miranda Jarnot, Mark Heagy, Mark Dragger, Maureen Cassidy, Jack Yatsko, Larry Donnelly, Albert Perpuse, Beth Rodenhaver, Chris Wallmark, Jolene Lauria-Sullens, Richard Thompson, and Bill Prochownik.

CALL TO ORDER

Fr. Alliata led the group in prayer and welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Without objection, the minutes of the October 18, 2011 meeting were approved on a motion made by Beth Rodenhaver and seconded by Jack Yatsko.

PASTOR'S REPORT

1. Prayers are asked for sick parishioners: Fr. Daly, Jack and Jean Doran, Walter and Ethel Sands, Skip Ford, Joe Daigle, Earl Thorne, Nancy Smallwood, Charlene Sparrow, Paula Muth, Beth Bodine, and Mark Annee.
2. Prayers are asked for deceased parishioners Linda Sauls (wife of Donald Sauls and mother of Dustin) and Bradley King and for deceased family member Edwin Swann (father of Peter Swann).
3. Fr. Alliata said that he attended the Convocation of Priest on the Eastern Shore last Tuesday thru Thursday. It was very good.
4. Fr. Alliata will be leaving on Friday, November 18, for a weekend marriage encounter and then on vacation. He will return on December 2.
5. Parish Pastoral Council Guidelines and a list of Committee Ministries were distributed to council members.

COMMITTEE REPORT

No committee report was given. Carolyn Smithburger will give the report on Family Life at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **FOOD BANK** – The food pantry opened on November 9, and served 28 families. The Cub Scouts collected 800 lbs. of food and the Boy Scouts collected 1100/1200 lbs. of food for the pantry. Divine Word will be donating 100 food boxes with \$15 gift cards to be handed out on November 23 for Thanksgiving. Leftover boxes will be saved for Christmas. Everything is going well.
2. **PARISH CENTER** – Mark Drager reported that there is a problem that has slowed construction. There is a gas line underground where the addition is going. Waiting for Washington Gas to come and move it (any day). Materials are being ordered. Design Committee meeting again this Thursday. Fiber Optic line also needs to be moved (FLC to Rectory). There is no heat in the present building.

3. LENTEN RETREAT – Bill Prochownik is contacting priests. Topic will be Marriage Enhancement or Prayer (most likely Prayer). Bill asked if a priest is available could we use a Sister. We agreed that as long as they were trained as a Retreat Master it was fine.
4. KAIROS – Don Mueller reported that SJV provided over 300 dozen cookies. Forty-two prisoners participated in the 4-day retreat. There are 1200 on waiting list and 370 have already attended the retreat.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Rick Thompson, Scout Master for Troop 430, made a presentation on building a 8x8 foot, T-11 shed behind the FLC for storage (copy attached). They presently keep a trailer there. Scouts will do the work and pay any expenses. He will get the permits needed. Rick said that he had discussed it with Fr. Daly and was told to take the request to the Parish Council. Don Mueller addressed concerns about problems this may cause. After some discussion, a motion was made by Jack Yatsko to allow the Boy Scouts to build a shed behind the Family Life Center. The motions was seconded by Larry Donnelly and unanimously approved by the Pastoral Council.
2. Blessing of Easter Baskets – Don Mueller said that he received a request from a Financial Council member regarding blessing of Easter baskets. Don Mueller will provide Miranda Jarnot with a name and she will contact her to get more info for a presentation at the January 2012 meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Safe Nights – Overnight monitors and day monitors on Friday are still needed.
2. There may be a December 2011 meeting. Members will be notified.

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business. Meeting adjourned at 7:50.

