

PASTORIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 21, 2012

Note: Next meeting will be held on March 20, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Committee Report – Religious Education (Al Perpuse).

ATTENDEES

Fr. Daly, Don Mueller, Barbara Johnson, Patricia Dellar, Rocky Ragano, Mark Drager, Maureen Cassidy, Jack Yatsko, Larry Donnelly, Albert Perpuse,, Chris Wallmark, Cathy Hogenson, Carolyn Smithburger and Bill Prochownik.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Don Mueller (President) at 7:05.

OPENING PRAYER AND WELCOME

Fr. Daly led the group in prayer and welcomed everyone. Fr. Daly distributed a program to be used by parishioners during Lent. It contains daily Bible readings and a Lenten schedule of activities.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Without objection, the minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting were approved on a motion made by Mark Drager and seconded by Kathy Hogenson.

PASTOR'S REPORT

1. Prayers are asked for sick parishioners: Jack and Jean Doran, Walter and Ethel Sands, Joe Daigle, Earl Thorne, Stefan Abresch, and Mark Annee.
2. Prayers are asked for deceased parishioners Joe America Sr. (father of Miriam Gholi, Joe America Jr. and Jimmy America), Frank Fisiorek (husband of Judy Fisiorek), and Paul Gwynn (father of Allen Gwynn).

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Evangelization Report (attached) was presented by Chris Wallmark with the following items noted: **God's Gifts** – Toni Johnson is stepping down as Coordinator at the end of 2012. **RCIA** – Sandy and George Sullivan are stepping down as Leaders. A replacement will have to be found for next year's RCIA Program. This year there are 9 individuals preparing to come into the church. There are also 8/9 returning Catholics participating to learn more about their faith. Noted issues for improvements are: (a) need more time to be able to cover both required items.
2. Family and Parish Life (attached) was presented by Carolyn Smithburger with the following items noted: **Natural Family Planning** - KC Schnitcker would like for SJV to have more classes held, **Scouting** – SJV has a very active Cub and Boy Scout Program with over 80 kids participating in outdoor activities and service projects. Issues are fundraisers to have money to have these activities and turnover of adult leaders. **Youth Group** – Presently does not have a leader. CeeCee Dalton will be coordinating Summer Work Camp. Bobbie Woollen is organizing a youth bible study. Father Daly stated that he wanted focus of the Youth Group to be prayer, bible study and service projects. **Family Life Center** – Drama ministry had two plays plus Easter and Picnic skits. **Youth Basketball League** had to be capped at 350 and has a waiting list. Charlie Russell is retiring from the program after this year. **Vacation Bible Camp** – Need leader. Other items discussed: Fr. Daly would like to have a Faith on Film Group formed. Fundraising for the FLC – Irish Pong to be held on March 17th to cover facility deficit. So far only between 2,000/3,000 raffle tickets have been sold and they need to sell 5,000. If not prizes will have to be adjusted based on ticket sales.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Food Bank – There was a meeting last week with Msgr. Enzler, Director of Catholic Charities. SJV requested that since the old Catholic Charities Building on Main Street has not been sold that SJV be able to use it for our social concern programs such as the Safe Nights Office, Parish Partners, and the Food Pantry since more space is needed. SJV will cover all operational costs. No decision has been made yet.
2. Parish Center – Mark Drager reported that the estimated completion date has been moved to late April 2012. Father Daly wants to use it for the Mother's Day Breakfast with dedication of the new facility. Issues continue to develop. Some items, such as a beam for divider, flooring, duct work, etc. will require change orders. Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 23 to review issues.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Bill Prochownik requested that SJV start a Prayer Chain again. Parishioners from SJV are having to use Divine Word's prayer chain to ask for prayers. Fr. Daly discussed issues we had before and why we stopped. After discussion on how we could work around these issues, Al Perpuse volunteered to look into it with Jack McFadden. Carolyn Smithburger requested notification of parishioners' death also be included. Unless it is announced at the weekend masses, you often don't hear until after the funeral.
2. Barbara Johnson requested that the Spirit of St. John Vianney Relay for Life Team be allowed to have fundraisers in the FLC and Festival Room. A motion was made by Chris Wallmark to allow SJV's Relay Team to hold fundraisers. Motion was seconded by Jack Yatsko and unanimously approved by the Pastoral Council.
3. Don Mueller and Fr. Daly reported on their Nicaragua trip. Sixteen bags of clothing, material and medicines were collected and taken with them. In the 4 years we been sponsoring homes, we have sent funds for 81 homes but they have been able to complete 96. They were able to visit 21 homes that have been built since their last visit. Land has been purchased for a home for the elderly (about 8). We will help with construction (about \$25K) but not the cost of running it. Subdivision is progressing. Model home is built. There are some concerns and they are working on them.

CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business. Meeting adjourned at 8:45.