

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2013

ATTENDEES

Fr. Daly, Larry Donnelly, Betsy Brooks, Cathy Berger, Maricarol Cloak, Lisa Zecca, Cathy Hogenson, Patricia Dellar, Rocky Ragano, Chris Wallmark, Mady Rivera, Eduardo Braham, and Maureen Cassidy

Missing: Jolene Sullens, Joe Tiralla, Al Perpuse, Jack Yatsko, Bill Prochownik, and Carolyn Smithburger

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Cathy Berger at 7:05.

OPENING PRAYER AND WELCOME

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With one correction, the minutes of the February 19, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion made by Larry Donnelly and seconded by Cathy Hogenson.

PASTOR'S REPORT

1. Fr. Daly asked for prayers for the sick: Jack and Jean Doran, Walt and Ethel Sands, Frances Chaney, Wally and Karen Landstreet, and those mentioned in the bulletin. Additional prayers were requested for the deceased of the Parish: Jean Courier, Genevieve George (wife of Jim George), Sister Florence Claire Kretz (aunt of Rose Thompson), Nicola Zulli (father of Marcia Wahl), and Joan Miller (aunt of Irma Boucher).
2. Mark Annee's wife has donated Mark's old truck to the Church.
3. The Deanery Dinner was not held at SJV.
4. We now have WiFi in all the buildings but the church. We will eventually have WiFi downstairs in the church.
5. Jack McFadden is working on the soft walls in the Vianney Room. The Ladies Club rejected all the color choices that Fr. Daly and Jack had made.
6. Jonathan Lewis will help organize a Young Adults Group for all of Calvert County. The first few meetings will be at Jesus the Good Shepherd.
7. We had 35 participants in our Synod on March 17th. Our responses will be written up and sent to the Archdiocese.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The Church has received a \$50,000 gift from an anonymous donor. We will go ahead with the porch and trellis project. Fr. Daly will ask Jack Yatsko to head the project.
2. Cemetery/Cottage – nothing has happened since the last report. Fr. Daly will investigate having Sr. Miriam Thompson reside in the cottage. She would work with the sick and shut-ins.
3. Rectory porch/garage – Bucky Ramsey and Ronnie Williams will do the work.
4. Sidewalk and Lights on Vianney Lane – will ask for separate bids on these projects.
5. Fr. Daly contacted COA to design the new columbarium for the cemetery and a storage shed to be located behind the Family Life Center. COA can do the columbarium but not the shed. We will need an architect for the shed. The Finance Council has approved using money from the Trust Fund.
6. We have received a bid for new windows for Casa Juan Diego. Cost will be a little over \$10,000 for 26 windows.
7. Alex Jarnot will replant trees along the State Police property line as an Eagle Scout project.
8. A reminder about the Living Catholic On-line Education series will be put in the Sunday Bulletin.

9. Senior Housing – Fr. Daly has talked to the American Chestnut Land Trust (ACLT) about purchasing the remaining land we own and they were receptive to that idea. We would also receive Transfer of Development Right (TDRs) to sell if we chose to do so. We would then pursue purchasing the land across the street from the church to build elderly housing similar to Chaplain Place. We would work through Victory Housing. We would buy the land and they would organize the financing, build and manage the property. Rocky Ragano asked if rents were subsidized. Some rents are subsidized. Apartments would be from 800 to 1200 sq. ft. The Finance Council is open to this plan. A motion to sell the remaining land was made by Larry Donnelly and seconded by Cathy Hogenson. A motion was made to then pursue purchasing the land across the street from the church by Betsy Brooks and seconded by Chris Wallmark.
10. Inviting people back to the church – Cathy and Maricarol need to meet with Fr. Daly.
11. Jack McFadden will post the fundraising Guidelines on the website. Something will also be put in the Sunday Bulletin. The committee will keep a separate calendar.
12. Relationship with our sister parish in Mexico has not changed.
13. Hurricane Sandy project – nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Maricarol Cloak gave the Religious Education Report (copy attached). A motion to accept the report was made by Cathy Berger and seconded by Betsy Brooks.
2. Youth Ministry – Cathy Berger reported that the Youth Ministry still needs to define their budget. There have been changes in the team leaders. They are working on establishing goals for the Youth Group. A meeting is scheduled for the 4th Sunday of the month following the 11:30 Mass. They would like to involve the youth in the readings and music at this Mass. During the summer the meetings will change to Wednesday. The youth will lead the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 22. The youth will visit the Shrine and Seminary on April 23. Cathy asked who was able to drive the Church bus. Fr. Daly said anyone with a CDL license and is on our insurance can do so. The youth Group is planning some outdoor activities for the summer (i.e., water-park, movies,). They are hoping to have some joint ventures with other youth groups in Calvert County. They are planning to purchase T-shirts for the members of the Youth group. The youth Group has a Face Book account which Bernadette Supanick has control over. Cathy Berger sends out information via her Comcast account.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Allie Levitas Barber had a baby boy.
2. There will be a change in Mass times on Easter Sunday. Masses will be at 8, 10 and noon. This helps with parking. There are no children being baptized this year.
3. Bishop Gonzales will visit on April 16.
4. Safe Nights - Flo and Skip Ford have agreed to organize the week SJV will host Safe Nights this year. We still need others to take on the remaining tasks previously performed by Mary Ann and Joe Zaversnik.
5. The 10th Anniversary of the Daughters of Abraham will be in April. Marijka Ulanowicz will lead a panel.
6. Cathy Donley will enter the Dominican Sisters this summer for a trial period. The Dominican Sisters are a cloistered community.
7. Confirmation will be on May 3.
8. Greenville Correction Center KAIROS will be on April 28th. Cookies will need to be made and delivered to the Parish Office on Monday, April 22.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

NEXT MEEETING WILL BE HELD April 16, 2013

OPEN ITEMS

1. Planning for parish picnic (Al Perpuse)
2. Cemetery expansion (Father Daly) –contact was made with COA to begin process.

3. Future of second cottage (Father Daly) – Sister Miriam Thompson a possible candidate to use second cottage.
4. Living Catholic Online Education Program (Father Daly) – Discussed at September 2012, October 2012, and November 2012 meetings. At the November 2012 meeting, Father Daly mentioned contacting either Steve Kupka or Russ Spaulding.
5. WiFi (Al Perpuse) – All buildings with exception of Church now have WiFi.
6. Church porch/trellis Project (Jack Yatsko) –
7. Sidewalks/lights on Vianney Lane (Jack Yatsko)
8. Relationship with sister parish in Hidalgo (Father Daly) – Discussed at September 2012, November 2012, and January 2013 meetings. A group of four people will go down to Mexico in June to discuss a way to revitalize or end the relationship.
9. Inviting people back to the church (Cathy Berger/Maricarol Cloak) – Will meet with Fr. Daly.
10. Hurricane Sandy project (Father Daly) – Discussed at November 2012 and January 2013 meetings.
11. Soft wall for Vianney Room (Jack McFadden)
12. Reestablish “Go Green” committee (Father Daly) – Discussed at January 2013 and February 2013 meetings.