

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
Pastoral Committee Meeting
November 3, 2011

Present: Fr. Jose Mudakodiyil, Marlene Guasco, Jim Humeston, Madeline Bednarek, Sally Sutton, Kathie Thatcher, Mike Brannan

Not Present: Nick Wavers, Jonathan Kahnoski (Sanctity of Life), Irene Roeder

Called to Order: 10:15AM with an opening prayer led by Fr. Jose followed by a scripture reading, and then we recited the Parish Mission statement, **“We are a church family, centered on the Eucharist, living and sharing our faith and God-given talents and gifts.”**

Minute Approval: 10/06/11 minutes were accepted as written by all

STAFF REPORTS

Pastor: Fr. Jose Mudakodiyil

- Last month we had the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. Everyone who attended was very appreciative, and thank you to all of you for your hard work in putting it on.
- Held the Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner on Oct 14th – had ~70 in attendance.
 - o Jim elaborated that the main goal was to get extra members, and we did get two new members. Didn't make a lot of money, but it was still good.
- Coming up we have a Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 11:00AM with a baptism.
- We are currently in the middle of introducing the changes to the New Roman Missal. We still have 3 more weeks to introduce the changes, and then the New Roman Missal will take affect the First Week of Advent – 11/27/11.

Operations Manager (office): Sally Sutton

- Just wanted to report on how the Thursday socials (coffee and donuts/muffins) are going. Organization is slow – Jim Humeston and Ceci Costas have offered to provide the money to purchase the goodies, and Marlene Guasco has agreed to provide goodies and get everything set up one Thursday a month. So, still need a few more volunteers that would be willing to get everything not only here to the church, but also set up and cleaned up on Thursday morning.
 - o Jim offered to do it all on the same day as the meeting – 1st Thursday of each month.
 - o Marlene said she'd do it all on the 2nd Thursday of each month.
 - o Kathie suggested having some cookies on hand for those Thursdays when someone forgets to bring something.
 - o Sally will prepare a schedule and send out a monthly reminder e-mail.
 - o Fr. Jose suggested maybe checking with the super market next door to see if we can charge donuts to an account.
 - o Jim suggested checking with Carl Jansen to see if he would volunteer.

Liturgical: Nick Wavers not present, no report submitted

MINISTRY REPORTS

Finance Committee: Mike Brannan

- We've ended the 3rd QTR with total revenue just under \$170,000 and our total expenses were just under \$163,000. So we are in good shape – our revenue exceeds expenses by ~\$6800. In comparison to last year, we are looking to be in about the same good shape at the end of this year as last. This is good given that we had the paver project this year.
 - o Our preliminary SHARC assessment number is coming in lower than originally expected at \$4,872. Could still come in less. We will be paying for it in one lump sum so that we do not incur finance charges.

- SCF has been spoken to and they are amenable to sharing in the cost of the SHARC assessment and the paver project. The amount has not been determined, yet. Have a meeting with them later this month.
- Our committee is meeting this afternoon to get the rough budget numbers ready for 2012.
- Kathie asked where we are now with the building fund after the pavers. – Less than \$1,000 (~\$900 or so).
 - Mike commented that we are looking ahead for any and all future capital/maintenance expenses with the help of the Maintenance Inventory crew.
- Jim asked if there was anything we could attribute the lower expense numbers this year versus last year.
 - This can partially be due to the fact that because SCF utilizes the church so much more than we do we increased their monthly fair share amount based on last year's numbers and usage.

Parish Outreach:

- **Care & Share: Madeline Bednarek**
 - Had 219 families that we served last Friday
 - averaged 201 families for the first 9 months of this year
 - Will be distributing on Nov 18th this month due to Thanksgiving
 - Community Christmas Sharing will be coming up – food and gifts for families for Christmas. Specifically only serve 97707 families.
 - Sally commented that an issue has come up regarding the orders received for free firewood from the last distribution. They are all starting to call saying that they have not received their wood or a call yet. Carl was contacted and he reported that they have run out of split wood and that we were not going to be able to fulfill all of those orders, at least not with a full cord. This is not what was promised to them.
 - The only thing we can do is pass on Carl's phone number to them.

Sanctity of Life: Jonathan Kahnoski not present, Sally reported

- Annual Pro-Life Conference for the Diocese of Baker is this Sat, Nov 5th at the Powell Butte Retreat Center

OLD BUSINESS

Recap of October events

- 10/6-Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, 10/14-Women Honoring Women Luncheon & Knights of Columbus Dinner, 10/16-Healthwise Flu Shot Clinic, 10/20-HT Finance Meeting & SRMF Volunteer Dinner, 10/29-OMTA Concert

Parish Council Representative: Tue, Nov 29, 4:00pm in La Pine

- Jim, Madeline & Marlene volunteered pending checking their calendars

October Parish Council Report: Jim Humeston

- Discussed our strengths from Living Your Strengths
- Having a new keyboardists on Sunday mornings – Steve Pistole
- Since the Newcomer's Picnic we've gotten 5 new families within the parish. Will be planning another annual dinner.
- Knights of Columbus Meeting this month is Nov 17th.
- Nativity Play will be on Fri, Dec 16th at Holy Redeemer.
- We are working on putting together a quarterly Parish Newsletter.

Living Your Strengths – ongoing discussion: Fr. Jose Mudakodiyil

- Continued previous discussion of what we can do with our strengths – last half of the strengths chart.
- Read from the back of the Living Your Strengths book the “how to apply our talents” for each of the council members strengths. We then discussed how we are already doing some of the suggestions, and pondered how we can further offer our talents to God.

NEW BUSINESS

Upcoming Events

- 11/4&5-CLARES Bazaar, 11/8-LT Rangers Banquet (rental), 11/10-Red Cross Blood Drive, 11/11-carpet cleaning, 11/17-KofC Meeting at HR, 11/24&25-office closed, 11/24-Thanksgiving Mass w/Baptism, 11/25-missal change out, 11/26&27-First Sunday of Advent (New Roman Missal changes take effect), 12/1-Pastoral Committee Meeting

OTHER (for the good of the order)

Holy Family needs financial help – Jim Humeston

- Will be organizing a group to attend Mass at Holy Family and then go to dinner at Cowboy Dinner Tree. If we all bring cash to put in their offertory basket, then it can stay there in their account instead of getting put back on the books in the church we are registered.

Adjourned: 11:22AM with prayer led by Fr. Jose

Next Meeting: Thu, Dec 1 @ 10:15AM