

PASTORAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 28, 2007

PRESENT:

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| Steve Sabo | Tom Cosgrove | Tessie Ballard |
| Don Zukowski | Gail Rivera | Father Barr |
| Collen MCgraw | Dan Palumbo | Loretta Haring |
| Don Rakoskie | Liz Coyle | Patrick McKenna |
| Ed Longo | Linda Kline | Bill Price |

ABSENT:

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| Betty Ryon | Ruth Milano | Tammy Barber |
| William Stehle | | |

Meeting called to order at 7:09 P.M. by Vice- Chairman Bill Price

Opening prayer led by Tessie Ballard

Motion to approve minutes of October meeting made by Linda Kline and seconded by Don Rakoskie. Motion approved.

Notification System:

Don Rakoskie provided details of an Archdiocesan workshop on possible notification systems to be used by parishes and schools. The system could be used to provide mass communication for low level to crisis level news. Two companies presented their system and their costs.

The Archdiocese is reviewing other companies and hopes to have a test group in place by January of 2008.

Each system allows individuals/families to make three choices on how to be notified: cell phone, home phone, work phone, email, back-up guardian, babysitters. In a low level situation only one of your choices would be used; i.e., "Don't forget the meeting tonight." In a critical situation three or more choices would be used. Each "customer" determines subgroups who could be notified if the message is not applicable to the entire parish/school.

It was the consensus of the council that we should pursue participation in this program.

Pastor's Report:

John Lantier will be stop being our youth minister in December. When we decided to move toward having a full-time Youth Minister, John is looking to “re-career” into a different part-time ministry. Tammy Barber has agreed to be our Interim Youth Ministry Coordinator until a full-time Youth Minister is hired.

A meeting was held November 25, 2007, with parents who had served as chaperones/advisors for John the last three years. They are willing to assist as a Youth Ministry Committee in order to keep the program functioning.

Major capital campaign meeting held on November 27th to organize levels of giving.

One parishioner has offered to pledge \$150,000 to memorialize a classroom. They asked that Father Barr offer the same opportunity equally to all parishioners. Therefore a letter will be mailed to make this offer known.

The first phase of solicitation is progressing well. There will be various opportunities for people to make donations and other living memorials for the building program.

Next development meeting slated for January 2, 2008.

Neighborhood Captains:

Tom Cosgrove said the data base is complete and is being correlated to provide listing of neighborhoods for house visitation for solicitations which will begin in January.

The nine members who are attending the “Belonging Leads to Believing” seminars will use the data base in the future to select captains for the neighborhoods. This will assist in communicating future projects.

Youth Ministry:

The spaghetti dinner was successful.

New Business:

The Head of the Finance Committee will make a presentation at all the weekend Masses to give an annual report on the state of the parish.

Donations:

For October Tammy Barber requested funds be given to Newman Center at Towson State University. Motion to approve made by Linda Kline and seconded by Patrick McKenna.

Motion approved.

For November Steve Sabo requested funds be given to The Gabriel Project which provides emergency shelter for women and children in need. Motion to approve made by Tessie Ballard and seconded by Loretta Haring. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be on December 12, 2007. We will meet at 6:30pm at the home of Bill and Patty Price. Dinner will follow.

Closing prayer led by Father Barr.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Linda M. Kline
December 8, 2007