

Pastoral Council Meeting
January 21, 2010

Present:

Father Barr	Tessie Ballard	Tara Barber (Youth Rep.)
Tom Cosgrove	Liz Coyle (Adult Enrich.)	Kathy Elder
Betty Ryon	Ed Longo	Dan Palumbo (Rel. Ed.)
Ann Marie Scrivener	Colleen McGraw	Loretta Haring (Fellowship)
Ron Van Nest	Donna Wardrup (Rec. Sec.)	

Absent:

Steve Sabo	Bill Stehle (Building)	Kathleen Orndorff (Finance)
Dave Surber		

Meeting called to order by Tom Cosgrove at 7:10pm.

Opening prayer led by Anne Marie Scrivener.

Review and approval of minutes: Minutes from the December 16, 2009, meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes with noted changes was made by Tom Cosgrove. Motion was seconded by Tessie Ballard. Motion was approved.

Pastor's Report:

Input Committee Charter and Composition: This Committee was started to review music at the liturgies. It has since broadened to include feedback on visiting priests, the environment, and all aspects of the liturgy. Committee is represented by members of various ministries. Parameters need to be set to how to disseminate input received from this Committee. There may be input that can't be agreed upon.

Father Barr informed the Council that a long-time parishioner, Charles Wagner, passed away. He was one of the founding families and as a youth was one of the first altar servers in the Chapel.

Ministry Reports and Questions:

Liturgy: Reviewed Liturgy Report. A manual is being compiled by Liturgy with the help of Deacon Tom Beales for all Extraordinary Ministers. It will eventually go to Father Barr for his approval. Father Barr intends to hold a comprehensive training for all those who work in ministry sometime in the spring and that will be for the mechanics of the building and their jobs.

Adult Enrichment: Adult Enrichment is having a day retreat on Saturday, February 6th. Topic is Adoration and the Eucharist. Fr. John Langlois, a Dominican Priest, and Fr. Barr will participate. March for Life is Friday, January 22nd. A Youth Rally is scheduled for the MCI Center followed by the rally on the mall and then march to the Supreme Court. Members of Holy Family parish and youth group will be attending.

Youth: Pancake Supper will be held on Tuesday, February 16th. Youth have discussed starting the Youth Mass again. Youth have a scheduled hour of Adoration on Tuesdays at 7pm. A Parent-Youth meeting was held recently to evaluate the youth program.

Old Business:

Capital Campaign: 229 pledges have been received totaling \$3.689 million. Cash received from pledges is \$2.038 million. Father Barr is announcing that the second collection is being used to pay off our loan. Father Barr has asked Leo and Judy Palensky to work on the giving trees for those who participated in our Heritage of Hope and Capital Campaigns. Vernon Pizzi and Roy Kilby will be asked to come to a future Council meeting to give an update.

Cathedraticum is a certain percentage of our operations income which is sent to the Archdiocese to help with their efforts.

Cluster Meeting: The Cluster team is in the final stages of preparing the proposal to be sent to Bishop Rozanski. There will be a joint Pastoral Council, Staff and Corporator meeting with all three parishes on April 29th at Holy Family. The Cluster team will probably meet in May or June to present the report to Bishop Rozanski.

Catholic Neighborhood Network: Tom Cosgrove sent another email out to his test neighborhood. He does not have all the email addresses and is finding it hard to get them. Kathy Elder sent an email out to her test neighborhood as well. Ed Longo will send an email out to his test neighborhood targeting Lent.

New Business

Goals Project: The Pastoral Council Subcommittee working on the goals and objectives met on Tuesday, January 19th and has made progress. A mission statement and priorities were set. It was decided to strip the metrics from the goals. Meg O'Neill was the staff representative attending and was very informative on how these goals should be presented to the staff. A follow-up meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 27th to review and then to have a final copy for the staff to review at an upcoming staff meeting.

Yahoo Group: Twelve members have signed up. There has been a lot of email interaction with the Yahoo group that Anne Marie Scrivener set up. Council members can go to the group to see documents, minutes, and reports that have been posted. Tom Cosgrove made a motion to accept the Yahoo group as a way to review information. Loretta Haring seconded the motion. Motion approved by Council.

Pastoral Council Voting Procedures: The Archdiocese has a document on how to select Pastoral Council members. Tom Cosgrove will send this out to the Council members for further discussion at the next Council meeting.

Brainstorming session: Tom Cosgrove asked the Council for ideas on how we can use the new Spiritual Life Center. Suggestions were: Mall Walking, Scouts, Coffee & donuts after every Mass with hat donations, Wine & cheese after every Mass with hat donations, Bingo, Weddings, Bar Mitzvahs, 8th grade graduations/SOTI, Parties, Speciality groups/DAA, knitting, Offsites, Conferences with resources, Cookouts, Catechesis, Retreats, Bible Camp, Little Kid – grades 1-5 – activities, St. Vincent de Paul group, Concerts/Benefits, Family Faith Formation, Winter Relief – Arundel House of Hope, Happy Helpers (Kitchen). Dances/Game night Grades 6-8, Family Nights, Bowling, Exercise classes, Cooking classes, Basketball court, paintball, game tables, TV/Cable, Movie Nights, WIFI, Tumble tots, Art exhibits, Rehearsal dinners, Anniversary party, Catered dinners/lunches, Book Club, Wakes, Laser tag, Wii. Tom Cosgrove then asked the Council to select their top five priorities. Tom Cosgrove will disseminate the results to the Council.

Donation: Loretta Haring recommended two possible charities to receive the \$1,000 donation this month – Catholic Relief Services to help the earthquake victims in Haiti and the Fuel Fund of Maryland. There is a hot line where people can call (211) who need help and don't know where to go. 92 cents of every dollar goes to help those in need. It was then suggested that the donation be given to our St. Vincent de Paul Society and earmark it for fuel/BGE bills/turn off notices. Tessie Ballard suggested the money stay local. Motion was made for the St. Vincent de Paul Society to receive the donation. All were in favor. Motion approved.

Upcoming events: Reviewed the list of upcoming events at Holy Family.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Barr

Next Meeting: February 25, 2010 – Library

Prayer next meeting: Loretta Haring

Donation next meeting: Anne Marie Scrivener

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Donna Wardrup
January 27, 2010

Edits: RM