Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, Nov 10, 2009

1. Snacks: Bill McNutt

2. Opening prayer: Alma Armanderiz

3. Old business:
Resignation of Terry Goodman, Welcome of Sean Luebbers
Tod Frohnen was elected to be Vice President by acclamation.

4. "Heard on the Street"
Many said that they thought the handout listing parish ministries was excellent.
It was stated that the ushers routinely run out of bulletins after the Sun 5:30 p.m. mass. We need more bulletins and could do with fewer song sheets. Fr. Bob said he would pass the word to the office staff.
Some parishioners are approaching the single blood station during the communion service at mass who have misinterpreted the purpose of that station being for those with celiac disease. Fr. Bob stated that it was probably not a problem and that it would be allowed.

5. Reports from committees:
<u>Faith Formation & Worship</u>:
The committee has not discussed proposals for the council, yet.
Fr. Bob commented that there would be a presentation on Nov 12 by Timothy Johnson, Director of Liturgy for the Diocese on the Liturgy of the Hours which he felt was very worthwhile.

<u>Service through Ministries/Stewardship</u>:
Ministry Recruiting:
Charlie Reynolds thanked MaryAnn Vennett for all the legwork she had done on the ministries handout and scheduling the first weekend.
MaryAnn reaffirmed that this is a year long effort which would replace the mass ministry fair for this year and be reevaluated at the end of the year.
The ministries handout was distributed with the bulletin at the masses on Nov 7 and 8.
The first three ministries would be highlighted at the masses on Nov 14 and 15.

Tom Tosti will speak for the Liturgical Ministries,Food Bank and Bereavement Committee.
Council members at mass should ask the ministry reps if there is anything they can assist them with.
The ministries list will be available each week on the usher table and the welcome table. Completed forms should be placed in the decorative box which Joan Zider will empty each week and take the forms to the parish office. The parish office will notify each ministry head if they have parishioners who need information or want to participate.
Sign up sheets for use by the ministry representatives will be available at the welcome table.
The contact telephone number and contact email address for all ministries will be the parish center office, which will pass the information on to each ministry.
There will be a bulletin announcement, coordinated by the Service through Ministry Committee, the week before each ministry is to be highlighted.
The committee will coordinate with ministry leaders to establish a list of weekends that they would like to recruit for their ministry. That list will be emailed to all ministry leaders.
Council members can be most helpful by referring interested parishioners to the parish office or to the parish web site: www.stmarysparkcity.com.

Pastoral Ministry

The Mark Price Ministry was the first model which was introduced several months ago. The Stevens Ministry is another model which has been suggested by Sr. Suzanne. Kathy Delanty is interested in heading up a pastoral ministry for the parish after she completes the Diocesan Lay Ministries Program. Fr. Bob said that there is clearly a need within the parish for a ministry to assist those in need of services or assistance.

Uniting the Community:

Alma reported that the next activity would be the tamale making party on Dec 10 in the Parish Center kitchen starting at 4:00 p.m.
On Dec 12 the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will begin with Las Mananitas (?) at 6:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. followed by a fiesta (at which the tamales will be served) starting at 8:30 p.m.
Alma will coordinate a bulletin announcement the weekend prior to Dec 12.
Members of the Hispanic community will explain the feast day and invite parishioners to participate at the after mass announcements the weekend prior to Dec 12.

Facilities & Staff:

Fred reported that he would attempt sidewalk repairs on the coming weekend, weather permitting. More permanent repairs would be done in the spring to address settling concrete.

Fr. Bob reported that the church would be closed for two days so the floor could be sealed for the winter.

6. New business:

Meeting dates for 2009 – 2010

Dec 8, Jan 12, Feb 9, Mar 9, Apr 13, May 11, Jun 8, No meeting in July, Aug 10, Sep 11 Council Retreat, Oct 12.

All were asked to check for conflicting activities.

Contact information

Email and telephone contact information will be sent to all council members.

7. Next meeting assignments for Dec 8:

Opening prayer: MaryAnn Vennett

Snacks: Monica Gustafson

Closing prayer: LaRee White-Engel

7. Parting Shots

A brief discussion of the new Trinity School.

Fr. Bob said that the response to his appeal for the food bank had been very good.

8. Closing prayer: Charlie Reynolds