

## Minutes for June 17, 2010

Council Present: Fr. Fred Bayler, Petra Carter, Lourdes Bernal, Rosalie L'Ecuyer, Jim Villano, Nora Ross, Joe Blackwelder, Amy Moriarity, Jan Fortune, Harlee Stuart, Anne Hagestead, Mary Rutherford, Mike Simard (outgoing member).

Absent: Bishop Don Kettler, Sandy Baker, Jay Baldwin, Diana Kramer.

Opening Prayer: Fr. Fred

### Parochial Vicar's Report:

Fr. Fred told us about his week in Italy sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Highlights included a Mass in St. Peter's Basilica concelebrated with the Pope and thousands of priests, and a visit to Assisi. (And lots of great meals.)

Fr. Fred said he is working with parish staff about taking care of Pastoral Council business. He would like them to come to the PC retreat.

He emphasized that finances are the realm of the finance council, not PC; the PC can propose ideas, create the vision for the parish, but finance council will take care of the funds.

The handicapped access ramp project is moving along. Work is being scheduled and could be finished by the end of August.

Other projects: replacing the fuel tank (top priority), new floor tiles (awaiting asbestos report), new lighting for the cathedral (looking into options), and security cameras for the outside grounds.

### Committee Reports:

#### Youth

Group – Anne H. reported that a group of approximately 16 youth from SHC will be going to the Alaska Catholic Youth Conference (ACYC) in Anchorage, and they are raising money to help pay their way. She also noted that a "Kids Corner" flower bed has been planted for kids to participate in beautifying the church.

#### Old Business:

- Election of officers was tabled until the PC retreat in the fall. The Executive Committee (Sandy, Jay, Jim) will remain the same for the rest of the summer. We also discussed making the PC more of a presence in the Parish Bulletin and on the parish website; at the very least, the names of the Chairperson and Vice-Chair should be listed.—Statue of Mary placement -- We briefly reviewed the several sites that have been discussed via email. Joe B. presented a double-statue option. We agreed that there is no rush to find a permanent placement, and we decided to get together on Sunday after 10 o'clock Mass to move the statue around and see how she looks in different places. (Subsequent note: on Sunday, June 20, Rosalie, Anne, Jan, Joe and Jim carried the statue to a couple of sites and agreed that the "west end" location, with Mary elevated and her back to the wall of the cathedral office, would be the best spot for her.)
- Pastoral Council Retreat—We discussed the possible features we would like to see included in the program of a weekend retreat for the PC. Fr. Fred offered his ideas. We found consensus on having a retreat that would include the following: Program—prayer, team building, orientation on the role of pastoral council, visioning some goals for the future of our parish, small and large group discussions of our goals, and election of officers. Date – September 17-18. Time – beginning with 5:30 Mass on Friday and ending with 5:00 Mass on Saturday. Place – Friday at the Chancery (tentative) and Saturday at the House of Prayer (tentative).

New Business:

- Nora R. announced that she will be moving in the fall and will be leaving PC at that time.—
- Scheduled meetings – next year we will try to stick to having PC meetings on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Thursday of every month. This will allow members to schedule appropriately and will allow parishioners to anticipate and possibly attend meetings.

Next meeting date: September 23

Closing Prayer: Fr. Fred

Minutes submitted by Jim V.