

St. Philip the Apostle

Parish Pastoral Council Agenda

September 13, 2011

Opening Prayer: Msgr. Dempsey

- Approval of July 12, 2011 minutes

Commission reports:

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| • Spiritual Life Commission | Patrick O'Donoghue |
| • Education Commission | Kathleen Acott |
| • Human Concern | Regina Ceisel |
| • Parish Life Commission | Anne Buxton |
| • Pastor's Report | |
| • Deacon's Report | |

Other:

- Visiting parishioner?
- New items?

Closing Prayer: Deacon Bob Puhala

Adjournment

Future Pastoral Council Dates

Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

St. Philip the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council

September 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Present: Msgr. Robert J. Dempsey, Patrick O'Donoghue, Liz Harvey, Michael Koberda, Geoff Pautsch, Regina Ceisel, Kathleen Acott, Cindy Morales, Anne Buxton, Betsy Dorsey.

Absent: Bob Ribordy, Denise Waltz, and Deacon Bob Puhala.

Regina Ceisel called the meeting to order at 7:35 and Msgr. Dempsey gave the opening prayer.

Commission Reports:

Spiritual Life Commission – Patrick O'Donoghue

- The new missal changes are going to begin with a guide in each pew.
- Ministry Sunday will be at each mass the weekend of September 17 & 18. New members are needed in all ministries.
- Fr. Bob Lombardo who spoke at all masses on Mission Sunday in August received more than \$10,000 in donations.
- The new lector schedule will be available soon. It is under consideration to put the schedule online for ushers and lectors.

Education Commission – Kathleen Acott

- Bible study will begin this week for the Thursday morning group studying Hebrews and James. The evening group will begin September 29th with the videos of The Catholicism Project.
- PREP families are still signing up for PREP which began on Sunday the 11th of September.
- Leadership Day, hosted by the Archdiocese of Chicago, will be held February 18, 2012. There will be workshops and presentations and a mass celebrated by Cardinal George.
- The spring speaker series is still under consideration regarding speakers as well as holding the event as a panel discussion or 3 separate talks.

Human Concerns – Regina Ceisel

- The ministers of care continue visits at Maryhaven. New ministers are needed for Monday-Wednesday. Mass is from 10-10:30 every other Saturday.
- St. Benedict the African netted \$4060 at their rummage sale, \$1810 in gift cards, and \$630 in cash. This is a decrease from last year. It is hoped that donations will be increased during the Advent and Christmas season.
- Respect Life would like to double the number of lollipops for next year. There will be a Respect Life dinner on October 18th in the social room. A talk on Dementia will be held on September 27th.

Parish Life - Anne Buxton

- The Women's Guild: The convent work is completed. Msgr. Dempsey covered expenses to complete the project. A thank you dinner to for the past Women's Guild officers was held 8/23. The new officers will be instituted on 9/20. New members are wanted for specific committees to organize events.

- Men's Club: The golf outing netted more than \$13,000 for charities. There will be an opportunity to go to the circus mid-November; the cost will include transportation and ticket. Cards for charity will be held in February or March 2012.
- Hospitality: Light refreshments will be served with each of the Sunday video showings of The Catholicism Project beginning Sunday September 25th. Coffee and refreshments are needed. There will be a sign up opportunity for this committee at the Women's Guild dinner.
- The patio and garden behind the convent is in need of maintenance. It was suggested to create a children's garden in this space.

Pastor's Report – Msgr. Dempsey

- Thank you to the Women's Guild for the paint and flooring in the convent, and Anne Buxton specifically for managing the labor crews.
- The floor in the social room has had quite a bit of flooding in the recent storms. There appears to be too much water coming into the grassy area from the roof. Drain tiles will be added to divert the water. If this works and the room remains dry during heavy rains the changes will be made to the plywood, baseboard, cabinets, and carpet.
- After evaluation by a structural engineer there appear to be holes underneath the new social room put in for wiring, etc. If needed will litigate through the Archdiocese against the builder.
- Fr. Robert Barron's The Catholicism Project video series will begin Sunday September 25th. It is a history of the Catholic Church, essential beliefs, music, art, and culture. Each segment is 45-50 minutes long and was filmed on location. They will be shown on Sunday mornings from 10:45-11:30 in the parish social room. They will also be shown on Thursday evenings at 7pm.

Regina Ceisel called the meeting to close at 8:25pm and Msgr. Dempsey gave the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be November 8, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Acott, Recording Secretary

Approved: November 8, 2011

Minutes from August 29, 2011 Spiritual Life Commission Meeting

Present: Monsignor Dempsey, Deacon Bob Puhala, Annmarie Gesualdo, Patrick O'Donoghue, Maureen Claps, Cathy Stegich, Dan Seeberg

Absent: Margaret Lenhart, Brent Weiland

Minutes from May 2, 2011 were approved with corrections.

Altar Care

- ✠ No report.

Altar Servers

- ✠ Limping along after graduating 8th graders departed the program.
- ✠ New recruiting program in formation.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- ✠ New schedules are ready.
- ✠ Open spaces for 11:45 a.m. Mass exist.
- ✠ Contact Dee Dee Ready and Reggie Ceisel.

Altar Flowers

- ✠ Flowers looked great all summer- Msgr comments.
- ✠ Farmer's Market a great source for summer flowers.

Lectors

- ✠ New 2012 Lector books available in back of church.
- ✠ Scott McCallum, Mary Lou Colfer and Jim Dietz will be on the new Lector schedule.

Music

- ✠ Monsignor spoke for Brent on the Third Roman Missal translation and full implementation on November 27, 2011.
- ✠ At a spring meeting, the U.S. Bishops approved a measure that allows each diocesan bishop to decide on a special gradual implementation of the sung settings of the **Gloria, Holy/Sanctus and the Memorial Acclamation** beginning in September, 2011.
- ✠ Brent Weiland will introduce Richard Proulx's service music beginning September 17/18.
- ✠ Beginning with Advent to Pentecost SPA will use the Richard Proulx service music as SPA community gets comfortable with new translation.
- ✠ New Mass cards will be placed in all pews in order to ease transition.

Ushers

- ✠ Welcome to new usher Richard Merczak.
- ✠ New Winter List of usher's schedules is posted.
- ✠ Monsignor requests that ushers pass out booklets after his Homily on the Third Roman Missal during all masses on November 12/13 or November 19/20.

2-Minutes of SLC meeting 8-29-2011

Deacon Bob

- ✠ In anticipation of Advent Reflections Deacon Bob will present an understanding of why a new translation of the Roman Missal.

Monsignor Dempsey

- ✠ Understanding of the revised mass texts will be ongoing beginning in September through November 27th.
- ✠ Explanation of texts and use of cards with 2 color text will include changed parts in “red ink”.
- ✠ Office of Divine Worship will present Roman Missal Workshops for all Catholics. See website for schedule(www.odw.org)
- ✠ Mystical Body, Mystical Voice presented by the Liturgical Institute on Saturday, October 8, 2011. (Contact Monsignor before September 12)
- ✠ Father Bob Barron presents “Journey Around the Worlds & Deep into the Faith” on all Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the social room. For more information see website (www.wordonfire.org)
- ✠ Father Bob Barron program will also be presented on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.
- ✠ Archdiocesan consultants and Monsignor continue to work on “water issues” in the Social Room.
- ✠ Rev. Bob Lombardo received approximately \$8800. from his mission appeal homily on weekend of August 27/28.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m

Future SLC meetings (Please mark your calendars with dates)

- ✠ November 14, 2011
- ✠ January 9, 2012
- ✠ March 5, 2012
- ✠ May 7, 2012
- ✠ August 27, 2012

Spiritual Life Commission meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. (Quorum rules)

St. Philip the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council

Education Commission Report

September 13, 2011

Adult Catechesis:

- RCIA classes will begin in October with Msgr. Dempsey.
- Bible study begins Thursday September 15th. The evening group has changed from meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7 to Thursday evenings at 7pm. The morning group continues to meet at 9am. Each group will study different topics this year – the morning group will study Hebrews and James, and the evening group will do Fr. Baron's The Catholicism Project.

Parish Religious Education Program:

- PREP begins Sunday the 11th of September. There are 45 students signed up at this time. Many more are anticipated to sign up on Sunday.
- Opening day set up and lunch have been changed – the parents will meet the catechists in the classrooms and receive a syllabus for the expectations for this year. The opening day lunch will be omitted.
- Confirmation for 8th graders will be on April 15th, 2012.
- The PREP spaghetti dinner will take place in January 2012.

Catechetical Advisory Board:

- CAB has met July 27th and September 6th. Both meetings have been well attended.
- The new mission statement was agreed upon and approved.
- CAB mission statement: To advise the Director of Religious Education on all aspects of education parish-wide addressing the needs of all age groups including school age, high school, and adult.
- Speakers are still being sought for the speaker series for the spring, Points of Unity and Divergence between Protestantism, Islam, and Judaism.
- The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit is under review due to cost and availability of space.
- There are plans for a trip to the corn maize Sunday September 18th with youth grades 6-12.
- Ideas for a youth group consisting of 6-8th grade students are under consideration.
- The sharing session of teens and Msgr. Dempsey occurred August 8th, the first phase of the Archdiocese of Chicago Strategic Pastoral Plan.
- The Reading Corner continues to be available to any parishioner every Sunday. All materials are available for reading on site or can be taken home.
- The next CAB meeting is set for November 1, 2011.

Report submitted by Kathleen Acott.

HUMAN CONCERN COMMISSION

1. MINISTERS OF CARE REPORT (JULY/AUGUST 2011)

Weekly visits Sunday thru Friday and 3rd Saturday by nine ministers. New ministers needed for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

No home- visit requests.

Committee open to new members; training required.

2. SHARING PARISH-ST. BENEDICT THE AFRICAN EAST

Rummage sale held in July netted \$4,060.

Gift card collection held during July and August totaled \$1,810. Cash donation totaled \$630.

This collection fell short of the \$3,405 provided in 2010. John would like to see an increased effort to promote increased generosity during upcoming Advent and Christmas season when we again collect gift cards.

3. RESPECT LIFE

Lollipops for Life distribution will be increased next Fourth of July by 100 (from 200).

First Friday all-day adoration has begun in September for a four- month trial.

Our parish participation in the Forty Days for Life will be September 30, Friday.

Our educational reading will be USCCB: To Live Each Day with Dignity.

Respect Life Dinner is set for October 18.

Mary Lou Osterburger will speak on "Understanding Dementia" Tuesday, September 27.

Human Concerns Commission

MINISTERS OF CARE REPORT (July/August 2011):

1. No home visit requests were received in this period.
2. Maryhaven Nursing Home, Glenview –Weekly visits have been made Sunday thru Friday and 3rd Saturday by nine ministers. Teams would welcome helpers on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday .
3. Committee is open to new members; training required.

Mary Claps

8/31/11

Respect Life, July and August

Old business of the June meeting was discussed on July 7, 2011, Wednesday, at 4 o'clock. The Women's Center volunteering and the Albany Park abortuary hours for the Rosary groups were the topic. The Lollipops for Life distribution will be increased next Fourth of July by 100 (from 200). First Friday all-day adoration will begin in September for a four-month trial. Our parish participation in the Forty Days for Life will be September 30, Friday. Our educational reading will be USCCB: To Live Each Day with Dignity. Other topics considered include our annual dinner, a speaker with insights on dementia, and volunteers needed for bagging at the Women's Center. We closed with prayers.

The August 3, Wednesday, meeting at 4:00 began with information about volunteering at the Women's Center, the diocesan emphasis on young adults' apostolizing this year, and the Albany Park abortuary hours for our Rosary groups. Legislative updates decision to use the To Live Each Day with Dignity for this year's educational discussion, the dates for our Respect Life dinner, set for October 18, Tuesday, for Mary Lou Osterburger to speak on "Understanding Dementia." The meeting closed and opened, as always, with prayer.

Submitted by Pat Catarello

This is to provide an update as to interaction with St. Benedict the African (SBAE) Parish during the past two months.

St. Philip's collected goods for SBAE's rummage sale which were delivered in June. Their rummage sale was held the fourth weekend in July. The proceeds from the sale netted \$4,060 which was significantly less than the \$6,000 realized the prior year. This year we donated numerous televisions which proved to be a big hit and all were sold according to Sister Mary. She attributes the lower net to the extreme heat, power outages and flooding which occurred the week of the sale. Judy and I did not visit the sale this year as planned due to the extreme weather conditions. SPA's donation was appreciated and was a big help towards meeting the material needs of those in the Englewood community.

The summer gift card collection was held during July and August and resulted in \$1,810 in gift cards and checks which are utilized by the two Dominican Sisters working there to meet some of the material needs of the parish and community. Judy & I attended Mass there on August 28th when we delivered the gift cards. The check, representing cash donations of \$630 was mailed to Sister Mary on August 30th. As usual, she was most appreciative of the gifts provided by the people of SPA.

The summer gift card and cash collection was significantly less than the \$3,405 provided in 2010. Perhaps we can make an extra effort to promote increased generosity on the part of SPA parishioners during the upcoming Advent and Christmas season when we again collect gift cards for SBAE.

I regret that I will be out of town for the September meeting but I do plan on attending during a subsequent meeting.

If there are further questions which you would like clarified prior to the meeting, please do not hesitate to call me.

John Meade
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Social Life Commission

Women's Guild

Very successful Summer!

August - Convent was rehabbed with new wood flooring in kitchen, dining room and living room, along with fresh paint throughout, new carpets and baseboard.

August 23 - thank you dinner from the Guild to all participants in our endeavors
Thanked Monsignor for the additional monies necessary to complete the convent project

Women's Guild gave \$8,000 to the Church

September 20 - Women's Guild Membership Mass and Dinner

Will be introducing new Officers Peggy Thordarson, Jan Roy, Julia D'Edigio and Barbara Giannetti.

Men's Club

The Men's club had a successful golf outing that netted over \$13,000.00 for our Charities. Our upcoming events include a family outing at the circus in mid November and the annual Cards for Charity event in late January."

Hospitality Committee

No additional report