

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Monday January 3, 2011

Present PC: Jane, Wilson, Bob Scheidegger, Anna Alexander, Lorraine Baushke, Marti Billhartz, Wayne Carter, Terry Hatler, Donna Matukas, Dennis Meffert, Bobbie Shanahan, Gabby Springs, Brian Cambron, and Marsha Wyzykowski. **Staff:** Fr. Jerry Riney, Fr. Steve Hohman, Ivana Walker, and Lori Lewis
Absent: Sally Liles, Christine Garske, and Ron Mills

Prayer: Jane Wilson led us in prayer. A discussion followed regarding the importance of our faith in our lives.

Focus – Budget Process for 2011-2012: Brian Cambron gave an overview of the budget process and schedule. A copy of the schedule is attached hereto as **EXHIBIT A** containing the important dates for the liaisons to meet with committees, ministries, and staff to help and or develop the operating budget. The First reading of the budget to the Pastoral Council will be on April 4, 2011. It was noted that there are areas of caution and concerns in the budget process. There has previously been no money budgeted for the Burmese. There will probably be an increase in the area of building and grounds. Brian would like to be involved in the planning. He also stated for each committee to pencil in any needs, categories, or delete needs. If any committee is adding a need to the budget, please give a reason for what you want to achieve.

December Minutes: The December minutes were approved with the exception of a few spelling errors.

Burmese Ministry: Fr. Steve gave us a handout on the activities for the Burmese.

Ministry Reports

Communicaitons: Gabby Springs - There was a slight glitch in the mailing of the Western Kentucky Catholic. The Pastoral Council will hand out copies after all the Masses the weekend of January 8/9. Breath of the Spirit will be in homes next week. The video from the Dedication should be ready soon. There will be a new pictorial directory in the spring.

Community Spirit: Marti Billhartz - Epiphany concert and dinner was well attended. Nellie Cornett and her committee did a great job.

Deanery: Lorraine Baushke - No report

Finance: Brian Cambron - There was a discussion regarding the weekly collections with being \$21,000 in debt. Christmas collections were down this year. Lori mentioned that the envelope company has had personnel issues and people are not getting their weekly envelopes. With that being said, a consensus was to have a one time second collection to offset the debt.

Capital Campaign: Wayne Carter - Leap of Faith contributions were updated the weekend of the 16th. Wayne noted that follow up phone calls will be made.

St. Joseph School: Fr. Jerry mentioned that Catholic Schools Week is the last weekend in January.

ECHO Middle School/High School: Bobbie Shanahan – Echo will begin again on Wednesday January 5th.

Liturgy: Donna Matukas - No meeting in December. Training for lectors and Eucharistic ministers were held on December 18th. Will ask Mary Ellen Krohn to hold an extra training if there is enough interest. The liturgy committee was commended for all their hard work during Advent, Dedication, and Christmas.

Social Concerns: Dennis Meffert - Political Forum will be held at Holy Spirit on Saturday January 8th. St. Vincent DePaul is operating in the black. \$2200 in gift cards was purchased in December.

Stewardship: Ron Mills - No meeting in December. Next meeting in February. There will be a push for electronic giving. Also, Ivana can email reminders for those giving electronic for special funds.

Transforming Our Church: Terry Hatler - The Torch committee will meet next Thursday. There was some discussion in helping to educate parishioners about the new church especially the chapel and the baptismal font. Torch is planning a booklet. Lori mentioned that the next ECHO assembly will help address some of the concerns.

ECHO Adult Faith Ministry: Anna Alexander- Lori, Carol, Fr. Steve, Ginny French will be attending a conference in Florida for Whole Community Catechesis. All adult education classes will soon begin on Sundays.

Building and Grounds: Marsha Wzykowski - No news to report. There was a concern regarding how dark it is after the 4:30 Mass in front of the church.

Pastors Comments:

1. Spirit 1 follow up letters have been sent out thanking those who have pledge and asking those who have not yet pledged.
2. Dedication and Christmas Masses: Special thanks to Dana Gensler and Trish Beresford and the music ministry for a job well done.

Jane thanked Fr. Jerry and Terry for providing dinner.
Lorraine will prepare the prayer for the February meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Liles