

# PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

## MINUTES TAKEN BY Gina Hocevar

**DATE** *Tuesday, December 15, 2009*

**Members Present**

*Gina Hocevar, Deanna Martin, Randy Morrow, Carmen Schroeder, Dale Bodine, John Moeller, James Goodwin, Ron Floor, Bill DeCramer, Fr Patrick Lloyd*

### AGENDA

#### Name Badges

- Option of purchasing badge printer
- Hospitality ministers (“Donut duty”) and choir leader, as well as ushers and greeters should have name badges.

#### Open Discussion

- Idea brought up to Develop gathering space , perhaps in back of church with removal of some pews

#### Bishop’s Recommendation to establish a website

- Deadlines coming close
- Displayed a draft copy of web page
- Each month parish members are to tackle a link to supply information to post on page
- Web page will supply 1 full year of past bulletins
- Looking for permission to post photos of church members
- All parish staff have parish email addresses
- Will use google analytics to gather stats on site visits
- Marilyn will update bulletins and other information

#### Bishop’s Recommendation to do self- evaluation of systems of hospitality & welcome and formulate plan for strengthening it

##### Getting Information Out to parishioners about Catholics Come Home

##### 1. What will happen/who is responsible/when will it happen

- 1) Advertising in newspaper a possibility for community when commercials air
- 2) Web link to Catholics Come Home--Randy
- 3) praying for CCH could be included in petitions—Deanna will talk to Terry
- 4) Post info on website in Bulletin before go live
- 5) Banner display on top of Jefferson Street when commercials air—Gina will check into possibility
- 6) Print business cards/prayer cards for pews/parishioners
- 7) Getting Information Out to congregation regarding welcoming—perhaps from Father
- 8) Show commercials during mass on Jan 17 and Jan 24
  - i. During Homily or after Communion—will need to discuss with Father Dominic
  - ii. Sunday Social
  - iii. Getting information to the Children/Youth/Teens--Carmen

## What Happens During Lent and Beyond

### 1. What will happen/Who is responsible/When will it happen

- 1) Parishioners will be Welcoming --everyone
- 2) The Welcome Response Committee will be ready to welcome new people to the community—J.J., Jackie, Carmen, and Randy will meet to discuss a plan of action and enlist others in this
- 3) Welcome cards will be in the pews and allow people to provide addresses and phone numbers so that they can be contacted
- 4) Greeter Ministry will be staffed to welcome people—Deanna will contact Terry Burr regarding this ministry

The Signage Committee has been working on location and designs of directional signs around the parish.

A Welcome Home banner for the exterior of the church will be purchased.

J.J. had gone to the workshop on Radical Welcome and shared some thoughts.

There was discussion regarding the spiritual needs of Catholics coming home. Perhaps “spiritual friends” could be trained to help or commissioned ministers in our parish could be used to fill the needs. As discussed at the last meeting, presentations on the faith with opportunities to ask questions may be beneficial. It appears further information will be available from the diocese with suggestions for Returnees’ Sacramental needs, and Pastoral and Catechetical needs.

Thank you to Father Patrick Lloyd for filling in during Father Dominic’s absence.

These Minutes have not yet been approved