

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING – April 20, 2015

Present: Fr. Tim Keating, Glenn Allen, Regina Gapzynski, Nancy Hall, Bernice McLellan, John Olenik, Nadine Sleasman, Steve Sleasman, Karen Swift, and Vivian Urdaneta, [Lisa VanDeVen](#), Joan Ferris (secretary)

Absent: Mary Lou Casey, Peg Mangano

### Agenda:

- Meeting was opened with prayer.

### Minutes:

- Minutes approved after Regina motioned (seconded by Bernice) that the minutes be approved, and motion carried.

### Local Catholic Community (LCC) – Report by Franco Wall

The first get together with all Pastoral Councils from our LCC (St. Mary's, St. Peter's, St. Joseph's and St. Clement's) on Wednesday, May 20, at the Washington Inn from 4-9 pm. Dinner will be provided and Sister Monica Murphy will facilitate. This is strictly for Pastoral Councils and LCC. Please let Franco Walls know at [fawalls@aol.com](mailto:fawalls@aol.com) if you would be able to attend on this date.

### Provincial Council

- Members present at the meeting reported on the visit. Topics covered included:
  - Facility growth was something we need to address. Discussion ensued re: possible solutions. It was questioned if present space was fully utilized, and Father Keating assured eCouncil that this problem has been fully examined and we are doing a good job with what we have.
  - Lack of Redemptorist priests. More people need to prayer for vocations. Attendance at our monthly prayer service is extremely low. Bernice would be glad to make an announcement before the next monthly prayer service.

### Vice President of Pastor Council

- Karen Swift was nominated by Regina Gapczynski to be the Vice President of the Pastoral Council. She said that she would be willing to serve. Bernice seconded the nomination, and the motion carried.

### Name Tags

- Several alternatives presented and after discussion it was agreed to vote on the option of a magnetic tag with St. Clement's logo and "Pastoral Council" (no personal name). They will be worn at church so parishioners can identify members to bring up ideas / complaints / ask questions. It will be put in the bulletin for a few Sundays and every so often publicizing these tags. The cost is approximately \$5 each, and it was voted (Regina 1<sup>st</sup>, Bernice 2<sup>nd</sup>) to order these name badges.

~~• (Glen help as to what to put about photo board?? – I know that we had talked about going back to the practice of having pictures of the Council on the board, but I don't believe that there was any conclusion. I would leave it out of the minutes here and I'll add it to Monday's agenda for further discussion.)~~

### 2017 Anniversary Committee

- Father Tim will check with Father Paul to see who he thought might be interested in this committee. It was decided that the committee should begin and generate ideas, which will be held for discussion with the new Pastor in the fall. 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary book is available to look at in the Office. Last year it was also put on the table about doing a new photo book for members in association with anniversary.

### New Business:

- Congratulations cards babies, newly married, new Catholics: Bernice and Peg would like find someone to do this task. Mary Lou would continue doing the cards. Vivian also suggested that they be done in Spanish. Template would be given to them. If transportation issues Bernice/Peg would arrange them to be dropped off. It was agreed that they will look for people to assist in the continuation of this miistry.
- How do we get more people involved? Please give some thought. Ideas included:

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- o Pick one thing and do it.
- o Booklet for new ministries - Brochure for all the ministries. Existing booklet needs to be updated and revision date put on the document. It should then be printed and posted as PDF on the web site. Bernice will take to Chris Bean to get current version.
- Joan will start E-mailing minutes to Eric after approved by the council.
- Take a moment to introduce yourself ... do at same time that we get books out and name tags. Introduce self to gift bearers ... suggested to try and pick different people.
- How do we get people to greet each other? John related that Psalm Sunday greeted someone that had been here for 3 months. ~~(??should I include this??~~ Yes, I would leave this, Joan.
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Next meeting: **Monday, May 18** at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Joan Ferris

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