

Blessed Sacrament Parish aspires to be a model Christian community, disciples of Christ, in communion with the universal church, in service to each other and our greater communities. We speak with diverse and inclusive voices, united by our Catholic Faith and Eucharistic celebration.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
April 4, 2009

PRESENT: Fr. Tom Mattingly, Randy Hook, Yolanda Blake, George Collins, Kim Maggiolo, Cathy McClatchy, Liz McDavid, Pam Murphy, Marcia Pearce, Maria Pena Taylor, Rosie Nicholson

ABSENT: Kilders Giron, Keith Holzer, Mindy Morrison, Rex Moyers, Chris Pipkins, Chip Studwell

The meeting was called to order at 9:40AM, with prayer led by Randy Hook. The delayed start was due to 9AM First Saturday Mass, which most present members had attended.

Discernment Meeting

Randy noted that the new Pastoral Council Member Discernment Meeting would be held today from 1-3 PM, in the Commons, and all Council Members were invited to attend it and take part in the process.

Voice of the Pastor

The Building Campaign has a long way to go, but Fr. Tom said he was pleased to have about one half million dollars pledged from the first Sunday. Approximately 10% of our parish families have responded so far. There's a lot of work to be done on this campaign to increase interest and pledges.

The Diocese Office of Vocations has asked our parish to host a seminarian next year for his Pastoral Internship. He will be involved in campus ministry as well as Hispanic ministry. Our budget would have to cover most of his living expenses.

First Communion Masses are scheduled for May 2nd (47 children) and May 9th (38 children).

Bishop Di Lorenzo would be here for Confirmation on May 27th.

A Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on Friday, May 22nd.

Committee Reports

A *We Walk By Faith* draft of what Council had determined, was distributed by Pam Murphy. Discussion followed as to what procedure would be followed to get our parishioners' feedback. It was decided to distribute the survey at all Masses on May 16 & 17, and let them fill them in and collect them before the Intercession. There would also be assistance in the Commons, after Mass, for those who might need help in completing the survey. The surveys would be sent to the diocese for data report, and we would review it with the parish at the same time that we review the parish budget, in September. We are expecting the bishop to come and review our data on Nov. 22nd.

Men's Cursillo will be held on May 14-17th. Randy asked that we let him or George Collins know of any man interested in an application to this Retreat.

Budget Report

Rosie Nicholson distributed copies of the budget for last and current Fiscal Year and proposed Parish Budget for July 2009 – June 2010. She gave a lengthy review.

Some things noted were:

It was decided to purchase a copying machine for the church office, instead of renting one; and that this machine would be capable of printing church bulletins, which would save money in not having to have them printed outside.

One upcoming expense noted was some church roof repair in the near future. A number of slate tiles need replacing.

The next fiscal year will have four quarters subject to the Increased Offertory Campaign. We will have to submit to the diocese half of any increase in offertory collections as compared to the similar quarter last year. The Building Fund donations are considered separately and will not be included in this.

There being no more Committee Reports, Randy noted that there was no Voice of the Parish this month either, no letters or e-mails received.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 11:40 AM, with prayer led by Fr. Tom.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Liz McDavid
P.C. Secretary

Reminder: Next Meeting - FRIDAY, May 8th, Pot Luck Supper with new members,
followed by business meeting