

**Cathedral Parish of Saint Patrick**  
**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – November 15, 2010**

Present at the meeting were: Jan Budman, Lynn Burkholder, Kevin Frantz, Ruth Gross, David Kelley, Kurt Knaus, Scott Nazar, Ann Notarfrancesco, Richard Roman, Jill Weikert, and Father Rozman. Barry Ryan and Terry Wert were absent.

- The October 18, 2010 meeting minutes were reviewed. Scott moved to approve, and David seconded. The motion was carried by consensus.  
\*Lynn voiced concern that the statement printed in the bulletin gave a misinterpretation of Council's consent to the statement as printed without Council actually having the opportunity to approve the statement. Father did review the statement with the Council Chairperson prior to it being in the bulletin. There were no voiced concerns with the statement at the 11/15/10 meeting.
- Pastoral Council Diocesan Guidelines were handed out at the last meeting and extras were available at this meeting.

- Areas of Mission

*Evangelization* (David Kelley) – Father gave a review of Lucia Murphy's presentation, which included an introduction to Evangelization and ideas about being a welcoming parish.

*Education* (Ruth Gross) – Ruth reported that Cathedral School's Holiday Kick-off event went well. A lot of local vendors supported the school with prize offerings. The Gala is being planned for March with a mardi gras theme. The school art show and sale is on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at Gallery Blu. The School of Religion held a food drive with a nice return.

*Pastoral Ministry* (Ann Notarfrancesco) – No report

*Liturgy* (Terry Wert) – Father reported that sometimes the cantors aren't understood, particularly when singing the psalms. Words of the psalm will be printed in the music bulletin in the future. Lynn reported that at the catechetical conference this past weekend, Fr. Sullivan handed out a book about the timeline of the planned liturgical changes. Father Rozman said that at this time, we are waiting for the go-ahead to move forward on this topic.

*Social Justice* (Barry Ryan) – In the past, one couple handled every weekend of the weekend meal program, but now various groups are now doing the Sunday night dinners. There will be a standardized procedure regarding volunteers, take-out, seconds, disruptiveness, etc. to make sure everyone knows the protocol.

*Ecumenism* (Richard Roman) – A program is being held Thanksgiving eve at 7:30 at the Unitarian Church of Harrisburg (1508 Market Street). All are welcome and donations will be accepted for the food bank. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated with vespers at Trinity Lutheran Church in Camp Hill on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*Finance* (Kevin Frantz) – Some discussion has occurred at Finance Council regarding the real estate tax status of the Rectory and the School. Current payment is about \$16,000 a year. Finance Council feels this is too high, and is investigating reassessment. Last year's finances ended in the black. Income and expenses for this year are running ahead of budget. The Mater Dei utility costs were increased. The kitchen renovation project is on target, but construction likely won't begin until Summer 2011. Kurt asked about putting tax payment information in the bulletin. Father stated that it is represented in the end of year report.

*Stewardship* (Scott Nazar) – There still is no person in charge of the Stewardship Committee. A meeting is set for November 16, 2010. There is more of a focus on evangelization at this point.

- Updates and Upcoming Events
  - Kitchen Renovations – David discussed the budget and the need for more details on the kitchen renovations. David and Barry will be working on this as well as the details on the floor plan recommendations. The feasibility study is the first step and the Diocese will let us know what the next step is.
  - The 2011 Winter Shelter is gearing up for February. A few of the procedures will be more centralized as far as supplying coffee, etc. HYP committed to staff at least two people for Wednesday nights. The YWCA is also asking for overnight chaperone volunteers. We are only staffing the Safe Haven for Men. Kurt added that the Knights of Columbus are making a renewed effort to help.
  - Great Adventure Scripture Study – This first group is about to finish. Father said it is a wonderful program and would like to have another eight-week session. The second part of the program is a 24-week program, in which the parish will probably invest as well. Father would like to get a Closed Caption version to involve the members of the deaf community. Information is available online about “The New Evangelization.”
  - Farewell for Father Clark – There will be farewell after the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, 11/21/10. Fr. Rozman has also spoken with Msgr. Lawrence who is getting ready to make his move to Cathedral Parish. Monsignor eventually will be going to Rome, and Fr. Quinlan is moving to Holy Name to replace Msgr. Lawrence.
  - Breakfast in Bethlehem for the School of Religion will be December 19<sup>th</sup>, with the pancake breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus.
  - Cathedral School's Christmas concert will be December 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Lawrence Chapel.
  - Messiah College Christmas Concert will be December 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. Seats to this event go fast, so get there early. This is part of the SSAM.
  - Parish Lessons and Carols will be December 12<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m.
  - Christmas / New Year's Mass Schedule – there will be neither a 5:30 p.m. Mass on Christmas day, nor on New Year's day, even though those holidays fall on a Saturday.
  - The lighting and blessing of the new crèche will be December 7<sup>th</sup> after the 5:30 p.m. Mass (for the Vigil of the Immaculate Conception). There will be a procession out to State Street and a lighting ceremony followed by a

cookie and mulled cider social in Bishop Rhoades Hall. The Knights of Columbus spearhead this event.

- Mass on December 8<sup>th</sup> will be celebrated by the Bishop
- New Business
  - Blessing of Married Couples (quarterly) – Father asked if Council thought it might be nice to recognize those living out their vocation of married life with a blessing. David offered that different people could stand based on years of marriage. Father will work on this.
  - Anointing Service – Father is working on incorporating this Sacrament a little more. It used to be done annually.
  - Some discussion occurred about the location of the crèche in the church.
  - Ruth relayed a question from a parishioner about how the rest of the parishioners can communicate with Council and vice versa. According to the Pastoral Council guidelines, Jan highlighted, we are obligated to have open communication. Lynn volunteered to work on the Communication aspect and will contact Margaret Peters about working on posting the approved meeting minutes on the parish website. This will be a goal to begin in January. Council may also work on a periodic survey. Lynn will also work on this.
  - David asked about the handicapped parking/accessibility as far as dropping off/picking up. This will be more thoroughly evaluated as we try to serve everyone as best as we can.
  - Scott asked about the Senators game and picnic - Helen Townsend is a parishioner who works in ticket sales. Scott also has a contact, and will work on this event again for 2011.

Prayer Assignment for the next meeting: Ann Notarfrancesco

- Date for next meeting: **Monday, January 24, 2010**

Having fulfilled all agenda items, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tanya Dick, Recording Secretary