

**Saint Joseph Cathedral Pastoral Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 17, 2011**

**Opening Prayer:**

- Michael Elton called the Pastoral Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- Father Michael Gribble led the council with the opening "Prayer of Discernment".

**Roll Call:**

- Secretary April Griffith Taylor led the roll call.
- o Absences –
  - **Jim Schnug**                               **Excused**
  - **Nancy Thornock**                       **Excused**
  - **Marilyn Tomasi**                       **Excused**
  - **Anita Fouch**                           **Excused**

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Michael Elton asked the council to refer to the March 29, 2011 Meeting Minutes (handout #1) for any changes or additions.
  - Corey Schaal and Donna Sims explained that they will not coordinate a newsletter. David Garick, Don Leonard and Michael Chow will be coordinating the Cathedral's e-newsletter.
  - Corey Schaal made the motion to approve the amended September 28, 2010 meeting minutes and Mat
  - Harper seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Motion was unanimously approved by Council.

**Rector's Report:**

- Father Michael Gribble will be out of the office from the May 31 to June 10. said that he has had multiple meetings this week and has been very busy.
- Father Michael Gribble asked Corey Schaal about the picture directory. Corey said that he is working on it. Father Mike asked if he needed help with the project. Michael Elton and Matt Harper volunteered their services and Corey said he would get in touch with them to set up meetings to complete the project.
- Father Gribble announced that Sherri Dembinski has accepted the job as our new parish secretary.
- Father Gribble mentioned that we are still moving forward with our work with the Cuneen Company.

**Deacons' Report:**

- Deacons Jim Gorski said that he had nothing new to report.
- Deacon Tom Johnston announced that Liturgical Ministry training will begin in June with the Altar Servers and Extra Ordinary Ministers training to be held in mid-June.

**Chairman's Announcements**

- Michael Elton welcomed Sherri Dembinski to the Council meetings. Sherri will sit-in on meetings so she can be kept abreast of Council's activities for the Rectory.
- Michael Elton announced four new members to our Parish Council. *Anita Fouch* will be our new Young Adult Group Leader. Anita was unable to attend the meeting this month due to a work conflict. Matt Harper accepted a 3-year reappointment as Member-at-Large. Nancy Thornock accepted a 3-year reappointment as Representative of the Music Department. Don Leonard accepted a 3-year reappointment as Representative of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. David Garrick accepted a 3-year reappointment as Chairman of the Parish Communications Committee. Laura Farnham resigned as Chair of the Parish Events Committee but accepted a 3-year appointment as a Rector-Appointed Member. Phil Renico was appointed to a 3-year term as Representative of the Knights of Columbus replacing Mike Berry. Elizabeth Roach was appointed to a 3-year term as Chair of the Social Concerns and Justice Committee replacing Marilyn Tomasi. Kim Mattox was to a 3-year term as Chair of the Parish Events Committee replacing Laura Farnham. Marilyn Toamasi accepted a 3-year appointment as a Rector-Appointed Member.
- Michael Elton said that we would probably need an amendment to the Council Constitution to over-ride the existing term limit restriction. This will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Marilyn Tomasi/Elizabeth Roach - Social Concerns - Reported that we have donated over 366 meals through the Social Concerns/Justice Committees Lenten Food Drive. donations.
- Michael Elton asked the Parish Council to review the new directory. David Owens, Elizabeth Roach, Corey Schaal, Phil Renico, and Matt Harper all requested revisions to their entry in the directory information.

- Michael Elton addressed the Pastoral Council Retreat. Father Josh Wagner will be our guest speaker and it will be held at Ohio Dominican University, June 26, 3:00pm. Dinner will be served.
- We would like to do something to celebrate Father Mike's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, so we will have a reception for him after the 10:30 am Mass on June 26. Father Paul Noble will be celebrating 30 years of service as well and we should celebrate for him as well. This will be discussed with him.

### Old Business/Action Items:

- Corey Schaal/**Parish Directory**. This item was addressed during the Rector's Report.
- Michael Chow/**FaceBook Page**. It has been enacted. David Garick is working on this project with Michael.
- Michael Elton reminded everyone to feed all committee information and news to David Garick immediately. We need it by May 27, 2011.
- Michael Elton said that Action Items #6 – #10 are standing items but asked that they please be kept in mind on a month-to-month basis. The reason that they are "Standing Items" is due to their importance.
- Felecia Krakowka/**Works of Anastasi**. Working with Community Shelter Boards to use their 501 3c tax exempt status for this project. Date has been discussed for December 3rd (during Advent). A proposal has been made for the planning committee for the art exhibit to promote One Day – a promotion held in January by the Community Shelter Board which is advertised on Channel 10 TV and in the local newspapers. If the art exhibit is set to run through January, they Community Shelter Board will promote our event along with their One-Day event. Details are being worked out.
- Michael Elton asked all Parish Council members to wear their name tags. New council members will receive their new name tags in one week.
- Father Gribble suggested that RCIA candidates should have their pictures posted as well in the Cathedral.
- Deacon Tom Johnston asked if pictures of the major Liturgies of the Parish should be on display.
- Corey Schaal asked about our Mass online. Father Michael Gribble said that we do have it on the radio every Sunday.
- Online Mass from the Cathedral was suggested. General consensus was that if it is done right, it would be too costly a project. Father Mike reminded Council that we already have live weekly radio broadcast from the Cathedral.
- Michael Elton mentioned our new committees to the parish. And asked for reports from them.
- Donna Sims/**Stewardship Committee**. The Cunneen Project presentations started Saturday night. Speakers did a wonderful job. Letters will go out to parishioners after 3 weeks or this project, based upon the level of interest. Father Gribble and Mark Farnham explained how the financial piece will be enacted. We have been working with Kroger's to offer kickbacks to parishioner shoppers. Donna mentioned that a 4-page, 5-color glossy Stewardship newsletter was in the planning ... quarterly and then monthly. Concern was raised by Council regarding the expense of such a venture.
- Deacon Tom Johnston-David Owens/**Liturgical Ministry**. David read the report provided to Council. Server training dates were announced. Deacon Tom Johnston mentioned that we do not have a good set of emergency procedures or a disaster relief plan. Father Gribble mentioned that we need to have a good process for getting parishioners to the basement for tornado/storm signals.
- Laura Farnham wanted to thank everyone for support her for the last few years. Kimberly Mattox is very well qualified to take over my role. Please welcome her. Kimberly Gala date is February 18, 2012. Dates for the picnic have also been arranged and ice cream social. Spaghetti Dinner will be planned as well. Wants to sell-out the gala next year.
- JP Pacis/**Young Adults Committee**. Requested a bulletin board space. Planning a Service Saturday on May 21. Reserve seats for our committee in the Masses. Ordination on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Summer month meetings will be held. Pilgrimage to Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati area cathedrals. Adopted a new name: AAA and a new logo launch very soon,
- Corey Schaal asked about our ramp for the chapel. Father Mike indicated it is still in the planning stages.

### New Business

- Jim Desmond/**RCIA**. Asked for a brief 5 -10 minute presentation by our newest parish committee and membership group heads on June 1, 2011 at 6:30 pm. Presentations will begin promptly at 7:00 pm. Felecia Krakowka asked if these new members are registered with the Parish. Jim and Sherri Dembinski confirmed their membership.
- Parish Council members began to brainstorm about celebrations that we can host that could be used as moments to recruit members to join the parish. Social events can be used as a selling point for the parish.
- Matt Harper/ Nursery Renovation Update. How do we staff our new nursery? We need to gauge how many people we need to staff our needs. The Thornock's use a babysitter during 10:30 am Mass. Felecia Krakowka suggested that any volunteers must pass the proper legal protocol. Father Gribble suggested that Nancy Thornock head up this project. We also need pass the Protecting God's Children program. Father Gribble also mentioned that we need to put an announcement in the bulletin about donating services to staff the nursery as well as donating gently used (Christian oriented) toys.

**Strategic Question**

- No strategic question will be discussed this month.

**Closed Session:**

- No closed session was requested.

**Next/Future Meetings:**

- Michael Elton announced the next Pastoral Council meeting be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at 7:00 pm.
- Written updates on Committees and Organizations due to Secretary by June 21st.

**Closing Prayer:**

- Deacon Tom Johnston led the council in closing prayer at 8:30 pm.