

Saint Joseph Cathedral Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2011

Opening Prayer:

- Michael Elton began the Pastoral Council meeting at 7:07 pm.
- Father Gribble led the council with the "Prayer of Discernment".

Roll Call:

- Secretary April Griffith Taylor led the roll call.
 - o Absences –
 - **Michel Berry** Excused
 - **Vicki Commeans** Excused
 - **David Garick** Excused
 - **Deacon Jim Gorski** Excused
 - **Deacon Tom Johnston** Excused
 - **David Owens** Excused
 - **Jim Schnug** Excused
 - **Donna Sims** Excused
 - **Nancy Thornock** Excused
 - **Marilyn Tomasi** Excused

Approval of Minutes:

- Michael Elton asked the council to refer to the November 30, 2010 Meeting Minutes for any changes or additions.
- (Correction) Michael Chow said that he attended the Parish Council Meeting in November.
- (Correction) Renee Morkassell said that the dates for the Parish Mission is scheduled for December 12 - 15.
- Corey Schaal made the motion and Matt Harper seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Motion was unanimously approved by Council.

Rector's Report:

- Father Michael Gribble two major things: grant to re-do the steps and a grant to re-do the blessed chapel. Richard Long, a parishioner, will do the chapel beginning immediately. The Tabernacle will be temporarily moved into the Terce Chapel during the renovation. The steps will be repaired in the spring.
- Father Gribble said that the Finance and Stewardship Committee will work together. One member of the Stewardship Committee will set on the Finance Committee to assure communication between the two.

Deacons' Report:

- Michael Elton announced that there will be no Deacon's Report due to the absence of Deacon Tom Johnston and Deacon Jim Gorski. program for the LM schedule.

Chairman's Announcements:

- Michael Elton asked the council members to review the Pastoral Council Directory for any changes.
- Laura Farnham wanted to point out that she and a few other council members have expiration dates that are approaching soon.
- Michael Elton informed the council that Father Michael Gribble would like for all to council members to remain in their current roles for the next three years. The council discussed how council members will remain in their roles and the frequency of their appointments.
- Michael Elton/Pew Cards will be re-designed at the present time. Father Michael Gribble and David Garrick will work on the re-design so that it would relieve extra work for Katie and Terri. Father Michael Gribble said that he is putting together a welcome package for new members.
- Laura Farnham said that she has offered to volunteer for other committees but has gotten no response. Michael Elton said that this is one of the problems with our current Pew Card completion.

Old Business:

- Corey Schaal/Parish Directory. Needs a computer to load software for the directory. Packages have come to the Cathedral instead of the parishioners home. We should be completed with this task by the end of February.
- Michael Elton /Did You Know. Please send your ideas and suggestions to Katie and/or Nancy so that they can use.
- Michael Elton. We will skip Action Item #3 due to David Garick is not present to report out on this item.
- Michael Elton and Mark Farnham. The Finance Committee is meeting on Sunday. Mark explained that if we commit to electronic transfer, then the envelop can be dropped in the collection plate.
- Jim Desmond asked about concerns with the bank routing number and account number on the envelop going into the basket.
- Corey Schaal asked about payment that will be deducted from your account. Mark Farnham said that the new series of envelops will address this concern.
- Father Mike and Mark Farnham assured Council that at the upcoming meeting, "kinks" would be worked-out to assure a smooth introduction.
- Felecia Krakowka said that committing to direct deposit is more of a duty of all parishioners.
- Father Michael Gribble said that we need to commit to a date in order to begin the electronic deductions and he is recommending that we need to get some worker to sit in the back of the church and enroll parishioners up for direct electronic deductions.
- Marilyn Tomasi/Social Concerns and Justice Committee. Michael Elton reminded the council that an email was sent to them regarding the very successful coat and clothing drive.
- Felecia Krakowka/Proposed 2011 Exhibit. Will be held at the Catholic Foundation due to the help of Marilyn Tomasi. Joe (the artist) would like to extend this exhibit to those people to who cannot pay for the \$300 ticket price. This would draw attention to the Cathedral as the benefactors of this exhibit. We need at date to launch this event. Advent 2011 was discussed, but Felecia wanted Father Michael Gribble to check his schedule. Ticket prices that will be discussed are \$300/per person, \$500/per couple. The art is awesome and is the mission of the artist. Felicia said that she is pursuing corporate sponsorship.
- Michael Elton/Skipping items # 7-9 since they are standing items.
- Larua Franham/Gala 2011. Dixie Land band and layout are new. Invitations are in the mail. A slight glitch with marketing, so that any help you can provide would be helpful. March 25 is the date. Valet Parking will be provided. Father Michael Gribble asked about spotter for the auction items. Raffle items will be placed on the website with the help of Michael Chow. Seeking event sponsors so if anyone knows of a corporation or company to please see Laura as soon as possible.
- Felecia Krakowka asked if parish council members could pass out posters. Father Michael Gribble thought that was a great suggestion.
- Corey Schaal announced that the Lenten Blood Drive will be held in the undercroft on March 20, 2011.

New Business

- Michael Elton is turning the floor over to Michael Chow who will discuss changes that he has made to the Cathedral website.
- Michael Chow said that we have changed our photo album weblink over to a Flickr account, and Michael gave the parish council members the username and password so that members can upload photos and post them on the Cathedral website. This Flickr account gives us unlimited photo uploads.
- Michael Chow said Terri and Katie get mail from the webmaster link.
- Felecia Krakowka suggested to Michael if we could use real pictures instead of clipart. She feels that it would give the website a much more welcoming feel.
- Corey Schaal said that he has six committee photos that he can forward to Michael Chow.
- Michael Elton would like to replace the Youth Group link which is outdated, and replace it with the PSR Committee. Michael also recommended that we have a separate tab for the Pastoral Council.
- Felecia Krakowka asked to work with Michael Chow on the front page collage.

Closed Session:

- No closed session was held.

Next/Future Meetings:

- Michael Elton said that the next Pastoral Council meeting be held on Tuesday, February 22nd – 7:00 pm.
- Written updates on Committees and Organizations due to Secretary by Tuesday, February 15th.

Closing Prayer:

- Deacon Tom Johnston led the council in closing prayer at 8:40 pm.