



Parish Pastoral Council

January 2013 PPC Meeting Minutes for Review/Comments

Our Parish Pastoral Council met on January 14th, 2013 at 7:00pm, in the Parish Center. Present were: Fr. Barry Moriarty, Dave Wisneski, Mike Rice, Tom Micinski, Mark Matejka, Justin Peters, Christine Murray, Dorothy Keane, Bert Olson and Christine Villoch.

Father Barry provided our opening prayer along with a brief comment regarding the beginning of ordinary time.

Haiti: Christine Murray and Dorothy Keane provided everyone with an update regarding on the ongoing mission to aid the people of Haiti. Christine has many great connections to people and organizations, such as *Teachers without Borders*, *Partners in Health* and *Zanmi Lasante*, who are just as passionate about providing outreach to Haitian community. Christine was also very interested to know St. Teresa's overall perception of the Haiti effort and how to create awareness amongst the parishioners. Christine mentioned that we will need a team of dedicated individuals to assist and possibly visit Haiti to volunteer time and collect donations for necessary improvements for the St. Rosa Lima parish in Haiti. We discussed creating a presentation for the Finance Committee in order to secure funds for continued building.

Building Committee: We discussed the proposed updates/improvements for the church. The Steier Group has been called upon to assist with the communications and presentations of these future plans. In an effort to demonstrate enhanced communications, the Building Committee will be sending out a letter in late January/early February to all parishioners regarding the church beautification project. A similar message will also be forthcoming in the parish bulletin.

Ash Wednesday/Ashes at the EI: Tom Micinski located the signs, vests and created a signup sheet intended for volunteers which is currently located in the back of church. It has been decided that we will not offer Hot Cross Buns this year and only operate 'Ashes at the EI' during the morning and evening rush hour (6:00 – 9:00am & 4:00 – 7:00pm). Announcements are to be made during church and members of the PPC will be located in the back to assist and answer any questions. Bert Olson is going to contact various media outlets in order to provide coverage for the event.

Summer Event: Mike Rice informed that the Farmers Market would be too time consuming and costly. Rebecca was unable to attend the meeting but hopefully will provide an update on the proposed Parking Lot event. In addition, Dave Wisneski suggested St. Teresa's offer sponsorship in the "Friends of Myer" Walk-A-Thon, benefitting the Oscar Mayer Magnet School (Clifton & Belden) as an effort to provide awareness of our parish into the surrounding community.

Next Meeting - February, 11th at 7:00pm.