

# **PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF MAY 5, 2009, MEETING**

## **Corpus Christ Community, Round Lake NY**

**Members Present:** Father Ed Golding, Chrissy Beaudoin, Mary Jo Brown (Sec'y), Denise DeWolf, Doug Hampton, Pat Kilgore(Alt), Wendy Marino, Dave Mietlicki, Matt Minardi, Ruth Moon, Angela Paolucci, Nick Papa, Jack Robson, Sharon Ryan(Alt), Kris Sands (Alt), Sr. Sue Wieczynski

**Guest:** Mary Ellen Bena, Carolyn DeSantis, Linda Malloy, Judy Mullins, Susan Spadaro, Mike Tidd,

**1 Opening of Meeting:** The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Jack Robson. The Mission Statement was read and the opening prayer led by Sharon Ryan. Jack announced that Rick Victor has resigned. Mary Ellen Bena is taking his place.

### **2 Generations of Faith:**

- Sr. Sue said everyone had fun building the church.
- May 31 is the Jesus Festival. Donations for that day would be children's books and puzzles.

### **3 Guest Comments:**

Linda Malloy, whose employment at Corpus Christi was recently ended, addressed the Council and expressed her feelings about the way her dismissal was handled. She also commented on the dedication of all staff members. She will continue to be a member of our Community, the community she loves and of which she feels a part. Nick Papa expressed appreciation for her attendance and sharing and said that we do provide input to Father Ed.

### **4 Youth Report, Matt Minardi and Angela Paolucci:**

- Youth will make dinner at the Ronald McDonald House on June 26.
- They are planning activities for the Jesus Festival and continue to do NCYC fund raising.
- Ruth Moon has resigned her position at Corpus Christi. She thanks all the children.\*
- Matt, Angela and four others will attend NCYC. Chaperones will be arranged.

### **3 Presentation by Brian Gagnon, Eagle Scout candidate:**

- Brian has realized that the Gazebo previously presented will not work out.
- He has looked into a trellis around the Mary Garden, and benches.
- He would be building this trellis, at a cost of about \$175, as this is the least expensive way. He suggests panels with smaller holes for more privacy.
- Benches would be about \$60, which he would purchase if fund raising is successful.
- As he needs to present this Eagle Scout project to his Boy Scout leader for approval, he requested the Council's approval to go forward.
- Entire project would cost about \$400.
- Council members asked questions concerning maintenance, why the tree needs to be taken down, etc.
- Only plants and mulch will require maintenance. Current shrubbery will not be disturbed.
- Height is 10', with 2' in the ground, 8' above ground. A 1' opening at the top would be capped. Panels are 4'.
- After discussion later in the meeting and approval by Father Ed, conceptual approval was given.
- Suggestion that vinyl may be more expensive but require less maintenance.

### **4 Council Membership:**

- Jack Robson acknowledged new Council members present. Pat Kilgore and Sharon Ryan were alternates this past year and will become regular members.
- New members are Mary Ellen Bena, Carolyn DeSantis, Susan Spadaro. Judy Mullins will be an alternate.
- Doug Hampton and Jack Robson will continue on, as will Matt Minardi and Angela Paolucci.
- Chrissy Beaudoin, Rick Victor, Rosemary Browne, Dennis Klimek, Wendy Marino and Cindy Racette will be leaving.
- Ruth Moon mentioned the importance of consistency in this group, given the changes occurring. She hopes we will be able to bring the parish to re-energizing.

### **5 Evangelization Committee, Wendy Marino and Judy Mullins:**

- Three bids have been received for outreach brochure. Will investigate company doing bulletin.
- Three people have attended Catholics Returning Home at St. Edwards. A woman from that meeting did not feel she was personally welcomed here.
- Diocese's suggestions include a welcoming team and our committee will investigate that.
- Scott Brady will be media contact. (Diocese believes communicating events is important.)
- Potluck supper June 13. Wear name tags that night.
- Fundraiser: selling T-shirts with our logo imprinted. Jack can help with that.

### **6 Finance Committee, Kris Sands:**

- Explanation of finances from the pulpit was well received. People did ask questions.
- Kris asked for input via email.

- June 30 is end of fiscal year for diocese. Last payment on past due interest and keeping up with mortgage. Most likely Catholic School collection and Bishops Fund back payments will be delayed. Also this year's collection is delayed until June, at Father Ed's request. Repair of the roof will be costly.
- Will receive 800 free calendars. Evangelization Committee may wish to give input on the information sections, by Wednesday at 5 p.m. Website is available.
- \*In reply to a comment from Nick, Ruth explained that her position is already scheduled to be part time next year. That is why she is leaving. She is sole support of her family. Father had tried to share her with another parish, but that has not worked out yet.
- Contract with the Cathedral Company has been signed and envelopes will be mailed every other month. People prefer to receive envelopes in mail. Also, it reminds them to come to church.
- Ads in bulletin will be handled through Cathedral, with our approval. Current ads end in June and most are paid up.

**7 Nuts and Bolts:**

- Doug, Nick and Jack volunteered to get pizza for a little party at meeting in June, at a cost of \$3 each.
- This year Council focused on Evangelization and Finance. We may want to take on some other issues next year. Perhaps we should be thinking about how to get positive feeling going in the community.
- The idea of a small questionnaire was mentioned – one that could be filled out at the pew. This method had been used when the Mission Statement was developed.
- The parish might have bimonthly get-togethers, potluck or whatever. Perhaps heads of ministries could give brief talks. Think about this for next meeting.
- Publicity of our events in Evangelist is important, also in local media.

**Closing Prayer was led by Doug Hampton, with adjournment at 8:32 p.m.**

- (Discernment for officers was to take place after meeting. Officers for 2009-10 will be: Jack Robson (Chair), Sharon Ryan (Vice Chair), Denise DeWolf (Secretary), Nick Papa and Doug Hampton (Members at Large).)

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Brown, Recording Secretary