

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2010
Corpus Christi Community, Round Lake, NY

Members Present: Connie Beeman, Mary Ellen Bena, Carolyn DeSantis, Doug Hampton, Pat Kilgore, Angela Paulucci, Nick Papa, Sharon Ryan, Susan Spadaro, Mike Tidd

Guests: Kris Sands and Brian Gagnon

1 **Opening of Meeting:** The meeting was commenced at 7:05 p.m. by Sharon Ryan. The meeting opened with a prayer and the Mission Statement was read.

2 **Youth Ministry: Angela Paulucci**

- 4 youth attended the bowling activity on January 9
- Souper Bowl will take place at all Masses on February 6-7. The money will benefit the Food Pantry at Jonesville Church
- Angela has been speaking with a student named Michelle to see if she would be willing to assume Angela's seat on the Pastoral Council for 2010-2011. Angela will keep us apprised of her success.

3 **Faith Formation – Joan Haviland**

- Joan was not present and did not send a report

4 **Presentation by Boy Scout Brian Gagnon**

- Brian introduced himself once more. He is striving to receive his Eagle Scout Award by building a trestle around the statue of Mary in the garden in the front left of the Church. He has not begun his fundraising efforts and will detail his ideas at the next meeting on March 1, 2010.

5 **Finance Report – Kris Sands**

- Kris reported that permanent space has been made in the church bulletin for listing the various ministries of our church. The name of the ministry, a person's name and number will be listed on the bottom third of a page.
- In another part of the bulletin, we can write a short blurb about a ministry sort of a ministry of the week, similar to the sponsor of the bulletin for the week. The info regarding the ministry can be taken directly from the book made up last year for the Ministries Fair.
- Kris reported on the regular fund and the debt reduction fund. Although these are separate accounts, both are counted in by the Diocese when discerning our required contribution to the Bishop's Appeal. All monies must be accounted for and reported.
- Kris also stated that one of the reasons the Diocesan Office will even entertain monetary ideas regarding Corpus Christi is because we have shown such improvement in our expenditure practices. She reiterated that although we have not increased our cash intake, we have cut our expenses enough to be able to pay our bills in a more timely fashion. For example, we were able to pay our full share of insurance to the Diocese - \$17,000 – and we didn't need to pay it in installments.

6 **Other**

- Various ideas emerged such as putting pictures in the bulletin, thought provoking ideas from the homily or inspirational bullets from Fr. Ed.
- Brainstorming regarding the Ministry Fair. Much discussion on this with a few ideas such as tables each week in the gathering area that are tied to the ministry noted in the bulletin that week. This will be on next month's agenda for further discussion.

7 Corpus Christi Website – Nick Papa

- Nick Papa reported that the part of this task taken on by the Pastoral Council is now complete. Thank you Nick! Angela Stone will now assign who will take over these duties.

8 Polling/Survey

- Discussion on the survey was tabled until next meeting other than the topics covered during our discussion of the ministry fair.

9 Meet the Staff Day- Sharon and Denise

- The date has been set for March 17, 2010. As many as possible Pastoral Council members will bring lunch to the staff and hopefully begin to develop a more positive relationship with the staff by just getting to know them. Sharon and Denise will finalize this affair.

10 Gathering of the Ministries – Nick Papa

- Kudos to all, especially Nick for all the hard work that went into this very successful event. No negative messages were received! Everyone was quite happy with it. Nick has a listing of all that was purchased so we will be able to trim the list a bit if the Council decides to do the same event next year.
- Other ideas were bantered such as should phone calls be made or just sign up sheets; more door prizes or raffles; start the event immediately following 10:30 Mass so it would be from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- Should we have a favor? More decorations? All things up for discussion next year.

11 Other Items Discussed

- Parish History: Someone stated that Judy Mullins is updating the parish history. It was noted that the current version is missing information for the years 1987 to the early 1990s. Carolyn DeSantis has some information on these years that she will pass on to Judy Mullins.
- Ministry Fair: Should this take place in the late summer/early fall rather than the spring? Should the format change?
- Discernment: It appears that the following Pastoral Council members have terms that will end this year – Dave Mietlicki, Connie Beeman, Denise DeWolf and Nick Papa. A volunteer is needed to assist with the discernment process. Also, council members are encouraged to bring names forward at the March Meeting of people they feel will be an asset to the council and may be interested in discerning onto this ministry.

The closing prayer was read. Adjournment was at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Ryan