

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2010, MEETING  
Corpus Christi Community, Round Lake NY**

**Members Present: Connie Beeman, Mary Ellen Bena, Mary Jo Brown (Sec'y), Denise DeWolf, Doug Hampton, Pat Kilgore, Diane Marco, Nick Papa, Jack Robson, Sharon Ryan, Susan Spadaro, Mike Tidd**  
**Guests: Brian Gagnon, Judy Mullins**

**1 Opening of Meeting:** The meeting was opened at 7:01 p.m. by Jack Robson. The Mission Statement was read and the meeting opened with prayer.

**2 Boy Scout Eagle Scout Project.** Brian Gagnon was introduced.

- He has received approval from the Scout Council.
- He distributed comparison sheets of products at Lowes and Home Depot. (Home Depot would give him \$250 in gift cards.) Curtis Lumber is usually forthcoming with scout projects.
- Brian requested permission to speak at Masses. It was suggested and agreed that he be present at Hospitality after all the Masses and converse with parishioners there, while seeking contributions. He could have a table set up. He could speak very briefly after Masses to tell people he would be there.
- Diane Marco will take care of getting roses. Brian was reminded that he should speak with Don Butner, Jr., about any work to be done on grounds.

**3 Ministry Reports.**

- Finance has a meeting April 7.
- Susan commented that Environment for Easter was wonderful.

**4 Parish Survey.**

- Nick provided Paula with a list of accomplishments since the survey. She can edit as she sees necessary.
- Perhaps we should do this quarterly.
- Accomplishments listed were: Update/Maintenance web-site, Ministry Appreciation Day, List of ministries in bulletin, Virtus training for Parish Council members, Meet the Staff luncheon.
- Judy asked if there is a specific order for spotlighting of ministries in bulletin. She noted that we are in desperate need of greeters. Nick's reply was that he had given first 4-5 to Joan and Paula, with their choice after that.
- Connie thinks it important not to lose momentum. We need a plan to make it happen.
- Pat Kilroy asked about success of St. Patrick's dance. There were 80 people seated and many take outs.

**5 Bishop's Evangelization Program.**

- Judy feels they should be working together with the Council. How do we reach those registered in parish and welcome them back? We may need to connect with Ev. team so that everyone is on the same page.
- Nick does not see us getting involved in Evangelization. He believes we should keep on course with what we have begun this year and evangelize from within. He would like to see us plan something for the Fall.
- Judy described the three-year renewal program in diocese. "Amazing God" would be a huge event in the TU arena with thousands of Catholics coming back and worshipping together. In the meantime, people like Jim Seeley are working together in little teams.
- What we do here in the Council is complementary to Evangelization.
- Another idea from that group is to put boxes on the back of pews for pew card. That is evangelizing from within.
- Jack summarized – our survey could be useful to them. Perhaps someone from Evangelization should attend each Council meeting.
- Judy thinks there was too much Ecumenism when Evangelization began. We need to keep ourselves enriched. Perhaps it should not be a separate group. She would personally like to work on a Mission for Advent – which IS working from within.
- Doug asked if there is one tangible thing they have done. Reply was "Catholics Returning Home."

**6 Year of the Priest.**

- This ends June 19. Most of those present were not aware of this.
- Each year the Pope designates a theme.
- Discussion of what we might do, perhaps at the June 6 Parish Carnival or on the Feast of Corpus Christi.
- Sharon, Judy and Mary Ellen will work on this.

**7 Virtus Training.**

- If we want to work at the Carnival, we must be Virtus trained.
- Training is scheduled for Monday, April 12.

**8 Discernment.**

- Doug asked for nominations. He has 20 names already.
- April 19 is information meeting at 7 p.m. for nominees.

- Discernment is on the 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
- May 3 would be our next meeting, to which new members will be invited.
- Judy requested that current members attend on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

**9 Meet the Staff.**

- Staff really appreciated it.
- It was a start in getting to know each other better.
- Sharon suggested "Back to Church" night in the Fall.

**10 Others.**

- Question about Ministry Fair. Susan and Connie will speak to Joan Haviland and offer to work on it.
- Spring Enrichment is May 10-13. A lot of good classes are being offered.
- Everyone please look at Survey results for discussion next time.
- Mary Jo will speak with Paula about asking for input for publicity.
- Spiritual growth from within – It would be nice to sponsor a talk by Father Ed on something like church history and customs.

**Adjournment and prayer. 8:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Brown, Recording Secretary