

Our mission at Immaculate Heart of Mary is to know, love, and serve God. We are united by our faith, the sacraments and prayer. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit we devote our time, talents, and resources to following Jesus by....

-learning and sharing the Gospel
-building up our families and community and
-ministering to the needs of others.

Pastoral Council Minutes, July 22, 2010

Present: Jean Schmitt, Scott Davis, Bill Vaith, Jennifer Reichlin, Rachel Youngquist, Katy Janicki, Father Martin

Attending: Laurie Brown, and Bill Wetzel

Opening Prayer

Reading of minutes, approved

Prayer Reflection: St. Mary Magdalene Next month: Katy Janicki will present reflection.

Reports from Parish

1. Faith Formation –Vortex/Youth Mass will probably meet the first Sunday of the month starting this fall
2. Liturgy –doing well with sacristans, 1 new lector. No new persons stepping down from current positions.
3. Maintenance- ¾ of the way to the completion of the closet for vestments. Ongoing trim work and standing closet in progress. John Janicki will determine specifications for the new heating system in the parish house.

Reports from Organizations

1. Human Life –No news
2. Ladies Guild- Slow, outings, next meeting at Skagit River Park
3. Knights of Columbus – Good- \$3-4 thousand brought in at the logger rodeo.

Ongoing Business

1. Spiritual Growth for the parish- Goals set- Three speakers during Lent, 1. Father Tom, share his experience, conversion and dream forward. 2. Father Martin, The church in Korea and his experience. 3. Father Armando, discuss Lady Guadalupe with the parish. Utilize people from the parish to organize, not just council members. Possible child care provided
2. Spanish community update – Sandra Ruiz will be asked by Jean to provide names of parishioners from the 1pm Spanish Mass for the parish council.
3. Volunteer positions review/tenure –a few people quit due to hurt feelings. Father Martin encourages change and new positions for health of church and to eliminate stagnation in parish life. We will use the memo written by Committee and Father that went out in the bulletin to continue to explain that the purpose is to encourage members to try something new. Memo to be posted in the back of the church.
4. Garage Sale- Clean up day is still on but the garage sale is cancelled. Giving items away but asking for donations. Keeping the metal chairs but are looking to organize them. Lori is calling food bank and Father Tom about the shelving. All interested in items must attend clean up on August 1st. All items removed by the 21st. A notice has been put in the bulletin.

New Business

1. Dennis, new council member looking at what the council does. He has time constraints. Currently there are 9 active members and the goal is to keep a good mix of 9-12 members.
2. Pastor's comments –All council meetings open to all parishioners. Father Armando going to live off site adding a prorated expense to be shared with the two schools for which he also works. Father Martin is not filling open positions for a few months to reduce spending. Our parish is financially doing well. Food bank doing well.
3. Proposed to place an after hours adoration note in the bulletin for people to go to the church office during office hours to access the church for adoration and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Next Meeting August 26th , 2010

Closing Prayer