



The Church of St. Mary

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Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes March 22, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Ron Boyden at 4:30pm in the parish office.

Roll Call

Present: Ron Boyden, Fr. Steve, Russ Craigmile, Jim Boyle, Todd Wentworth, Joe Korkowski, & Roger Johnson

Absent: Alice Schmitz, Barb Lehman, Colleen Boesen, & Tom Dudley

Opening Prayer and Reflection

Fr. Steve led the council in prayer and reflection.

Approval of Agenda & Minutes

The agenda was approved as written.

The Feb. 23 minutes were approved as written.

Administrative Report

Visioning Update

Planning to meet with Jane Marrin, Director of the Diocesan Planning Office, Diocese of St. Cloud, to continue the cooperation with other area parishes to meet and complete the Parish Vibrancy Tool. This will be a requirement of each parish.

The council reviewed the Parish Vibrancy Tool and discussed how it will be utilized.

- The Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council, and Staff will take the tool and submit to Joan at this time.
- The entire parish will have their opportunity to complete the tool in the fall. Each of the seven elements of the tool will be completed during a weekend liturgy.
- Results will then be combined and analyzed.

Annual Parish Report Summary

The report was reviewed and discussed.

Old Business

No discussions.

Standing Committee Reports

Council members reviewed the various committee reports.

The council will present their ministry moment the weekend of April 21 & 22.



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New Business

Parish Pastoral Council Elections

- Nominations will be held on March 24 & 25.
- Council members will lead the nominations as follows: Roger - 5 pm, Russ – 8 am, & Ron – 10 am
- Council members agreed to stress the importance of attendance at the majority of the council meetings when discussing the role of a council member with those who are nominated.
- Discernment process will be held in the Great Hall after the 10 am mass on April 29th.

Policy and Procedures

- Council reviewed and discussed the St. Mary's Church Organizations' Fundraising Policy.
- It was emphasized that the first step in approving a fundraising activity to be held in the St. Mary's Commons area or the Great Hall is to obtain the Parish Business Administrator's endorsement.
- Fr. Steve and Jim Boyle will draft a recommendation for the Council to keep fundraising activities out of critical liturgical times of the year, such as, Holy Week, Christmas, etc.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.