



Sacred Heart Church, Pinellas Park
Pastoral Council Meeting
Tuesday August 11, 2009 7:00PM

Members Present

Pastor: Fr. Anthony Coppola, Michael Scavelli, Arlene Judd, Will Huertas, Doyle Callahan, Paul Gardiner, Chris Raleigh, Gerry Malek, Mike Trumbull
Helen Kerker, Ken Feck

Members Not Present: Sue Huertas, Kelly Holder, Matti Mores

Fr. Coppola opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes from the last meeting were unavailable for review. Members of the committee introduced themselves to Father Coppola.

Business:

- Coffee and Donut Ministry – will be replaced by a monthly pancake breakfast to be held on the first Sunday of every month. The Parish Van – so far no regular driver has been found. There have been a few that would like to volunteer for certain events only.
- Mike Trumbull reported on Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP). Weekend retreats are scheduled for parish women on September 12th and 13th and the men's retreat is scheduled for September 26-27. There are vacancies available in each retreat.
- Parish registration forms have been revised and will be delivered by Arlene to the Parish Office on 8/13.
- Parish Mission Statement needs to be more widely publicized. It will be included in the upgrade of the current parish web site. The site will be redesigned to be more inviting and perhaps interactive. The mission statement should also be included in the upcoming revisions of the bulletin. The first change in the bulletin will be to a 4 page color format. More sponsors are necessary to further enlarge the bulletin.
- Ministries- An updated ministry list has been compiled and delivered to the parish office. The parish is looking to expand its ministries base and Ministries

Fair is scheduled for November 7th & 8th. It will have a Harvest theme. It was suggested that there is a resource person at Light of Christ Parish who has put on very successful ministry fairs in her and other parishes.

- There will be an appreciation dinner for parish volunteers on November 6th. Will and Arlene are looking into potential menus and meal providers.
- The positions of Youth Minister and DRE need to be filled.
- Altars servers will be under the direction of Ryan Boberg and Amy Scavelli. Servers should volunteer and be assigned for specific Mass times. Father Coppola will advise Amy and Ryan as to the specific altar server skills that he would like to see sharpened.
- Gerry Malek will be coordinating a meeting for new and current Ushers. The ushers should minister at assigned Masses and volunteer/substitute ushers should be under the supervision of a member of the ministry during Mass.
- The Pastor advised the committee, in broad terms the financial situation of the parish. Father Coppola in planning on presenting a full Financial Report in October.
- Father requested that the counsel solicit the help of 16 speakers/parishioners in talking to the parish regarding individual Stewardship.
- The parish is contractually committed to a Spring Parish Festival.
- Father asked the committee to explore the idea of “twinning” with another Catholic parish, mission or agency and thereby providing parishioners with an opportunity for charitable good works.
- The parish is in need of a volunteer Hurricane Preparedness Coordinator. Committee members should make any recommendations to Father Coppola.
- The committee is eager to host an Installation Reception for Father Coppola and plans for it are being held in abeyance pending inclusion in the schedule of Bishop Lynch.
- The next meeting of the Parish Advisory Council is scheduled for September 15th at 7pm in the parish office.