

Sacred Heart Church Office

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 Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting held 9/8/10 at 7pm

Present:

Father Anthony
 David Ciofani
 Jan Duckro
 Regan Jones
 Guy Lemakos
 Peg McQuade
 Leona Peszka
 Karla Trumbull
 Tosha Vickers
 Rachelle Webb

Absent: Connie Steinbrecher and Jack Winton

Meeting started with introductions and Father asked each to tell what they liked about Sacred Heart Parish. Some items mentioned were: people feel welcome when they attend Mass, many ministries to select from, and our priests. Father then asked what we didn't like. We then discussed: lack of participation by school parents and students at Masses and various church functions, landscaping around the Church, lack of altar servers at the Masses, outdate Lector/Eucharistic Minister lists and music.

The council will be working on many projects in the coming months. The first will be the new Parish Directory. It was discussed and Leona will be helping Arlene with this project. Jan, Dave, Rachelle and Regan volunteered to help with the sign up this week end after the Masses.

A parish picnic will be held in early November (either the 7th or 14th) after the 11:30 Mass. This is to be a fun, uncomplicated day for the parishioners. Tosha, Regan and Guy will have a meeting on Sunday, September 26th at 3 pm in the office to plan.

Altar servers are now under the guidance of Ryan Boberg. He is in charge of training new servers and scheduling for the Masses.

Arlene Richmond is taking over the Eucharistic Ministers. She will also handle training and will help update the list.

Father Tobin will remain in charge of the Ministers to the homebound.

The Hospitality Committee will be meeting next Wednesday, Sept 15th at 7 pm to finalize the Welcome Packets for new parishioners. Peg and David volunteered to attend the meeting and help. We discussed home visits to new members of Sacred Heart. This will be something for the council to work on.

We discussed at great length the disconnect between the school and church. Some of us feel we never see the students and parents at the masses or activities with in the Parish. Some don't know who the principal is. This is big concern to the council members and Father Anthony. A new program is starting for the 9:30 Mass on the second Sunday each month, the school students will be responsible for the Liturgy. On the fourth Sunday the CCD students will be responsible for the Liturgy. One suggestion that

was talked about: a family night with speakers for the parents and a separate one for the children followed by a spaghetti dinner with a small donation. Guy and Tosha volunteered to start working on a plan to make this happen.

A garden club is in formation and Dave volunteered to help. Father also asked Regan to assist. It is felt we need more color as you approach the Church walkway to be more warm and welcoming. Flowers will be planted and the dwarf scheffelaras moved to the sides of the church.

Karla and Father Anthony are working on the website and Rachelle volunteered to help taking photos of various events for the website so it can remain up to date. It will be more interactive and current.

We will be holding a health fair yearly in November. Father is currently recruiting registered nurses to assist with this event.

Our next meeting is scheduled for October 20th at 7 pm. The meeting was concluded with prayer at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Duckro