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Parish Council Meeting 5/18/11

Present: Father Anthony, Libby Even, Regan Jones, Leona Peszka, Rachelle Webb, Jack Winton, David Ciofani, Jan Duckro

Absent: Guy Lemakos, Peg McQuade

Father Anthony opened the meeting with a prayer.

Jan reported the directories are done and most have been given to those in the directory. Universal Church Directory is now working on the pocket directories and a tri-fold folder. The tri-folds will be used in the pews, the narthex and as a general information tool.

OUTREACH program was discussed and the various programs the committee will be starting.

***Twinning is almost complete with St Michael's in New Mexico.**

***Free English classes for Hispanics**

***St Vincent De Paul will feed the poor – discussion followed as most of us don't understand the scope of SVDP's involvement in the parish. Some questions asked by members of the council:**

Who do they help?
What do they do for people in need?
How would a parishioner in need get help?

WE, the parishioners, need to be educated regarding SVDP's role in helping the needy.

Father would like to have a clothing bin in the narthex for donations. He has requested all of us to gather information on St Vincent De Paul for the next meeting.

***APA Drive**

We decided we need a talk earlier in the campaign – preferably in January when

our winter visitors are here. Jan suggested we put a graph in the bulletin showing our goal and where we are in meeting that goal – similar to the one used years ago in the narthex.

***Summer Activities**

8/14 Teen Picnic with cluster parishes – St Matthew, Holy Cross, Transfiguration, Sacred Heart and the Vietnamese Church. It is an opportunity for all these teens to get together.

New Parishioner Breakfast – date TBA

***VPK** program - will start in the fall. Nine children are registered so far. Rachelle and Tosha brought up the need for the program to run all year not just during the school year for working parents.

***Important dates**

Parish Picnic – 11/13/11

Health Fair – not sure but we feel April 1st is too late. It is preferred to be held the last week end in January. Father has requested we have the Blood Mobile there, cholesterol checks, flu shots, blood pressure checks, etc. The nurses will be doing blood pressure checks on a monthly basis starting in June.

Ministry Fair – Saturday, February 18th and Sunday, February 19th

Stewardship dinner – Friday, February 17th

(Terry – these dates may need to be changed due to the Auction date. We would probably move them up one week if they conflict with the auction)

***Mission Statement**

Labels have been put on the back of the Worship Books and we will be reciting the statement at all masses for awhile until folks get used to it, then we will recite it the first week end of every month.

***Lent, 2012**

Ash Wednesday is February 22nd and Easter Sunday is April 8th

There are 6 Fridays in Lent next year. Fathers wants to spread the special productions out over the entire season instead of all of them being in Holy Week. This would hopefully improve attendance. The five performances or programs will be:

Living Stations – Liz and the Youth Group
Seder Meal – Marion
We Remember – Roy
People of the Passion – Leona
Tenebrae Service

OPEN DISCUSSION AND SUGGESTIONS

BULLETIN – We all agree the bulletin looks great and thanks to Terry and Cynthia – great job

We would like to see the New Parishioners listed in the bulletin once a month – maybe a welcome banner and the family name.

QUESTIONNAIRE - this is for the parents and teens to help decide what would help the 5:30 mass and youth group attendance.

Choose one –

****Contemporary Mass at 11:30 followed by the Youth Group activity**

****Contemporary Mass at 5:30 preceded by the Youth Group activity**

****Contemporary Mass at 5:30 followed by the Youth Group activity**

Our next meeting will to announced later in the summer.