

Parish Council Meeting
August 8th, 2012

Attendees: Donna Thompson, Jim Sperry, Tim Geers, Father Bill Stockelman, Bev Barnes, Mark Zurlinden

Absent: Charlie Quehl, Paul Justice

Faith Formation - Mark Zurlinden

June/July Minutes: Minutes were approved.

Pastoral Council Elections: Work on elections needs to start immediately to replace Tim and anyone else on council who may need to step down for any reason.

Timeline:

- 8/26 and 9/2 - Announcement to parish about nominations.
- 9/9 and 9/16 - Nominations will be collected and calls to those nominated made.
- 9/23 - Questions due from candidates.
- 9/30 and 10/7 - Bios are inserted in bulletin for parish to review.
- 10/13 and 10/14 - Election.
- 10/28 - Installation of newly elected.

Raising Up Lay People to Leaders of Parish Tomorrow: St. Bernadette needs more lay leadership in the parish such as a Pastoral Administrator, permanent Deacon's, Pastoral Associate – just to name a few. Overall, we need theological growth in our parish. Donna will follow up with Father Mike Leshney to get his take on what types of positions we should consider for recruitment. Mark will do some research via the Athenaeum on coursework available.

School Report: Enrollment is up to 150 (kindergarten and 1st grade mostly). Mark Armstrong is working to be sure tuition is being paid. August 13th, the Education Office of the Archdiocese is going to unveil a new vision for Catholic schools. With the upgrades to Stievenard Hall, activities and events during the school day will now be allowed.

Festival/Parish Picnic Updates: After this year, we will likely need to pay for electrical work to be done. Set up starts Friday and Saturday this week. The parish picnic is September 9th at 2:00 pm. Sign-ups will be available for categories of food between festival weekend and Labor Day weekend. Ventura Hall will be our weather alternative.

Pastor's Corner: Virtus is the child protection plan we will have to abide by– no exceptions. Emily, Tom and Father are trainers. Father has been attending Good Leaders, Good Shepherds sessions. CRHP - 9/15 & 9/16 for women while 9/29 & 9/30 will be the men's session. Theology of the Body - Wednesday's this fall for 8 weeks. Emily has started a women's group once a month on Saturday's. Council would like to start inviting visitor's to meetings to see if there's any support they can lend. It was suggested that Emily might be a good place to start. Tim will follow-up. Hospitality will start again each month. Wine and cheese will be offered after 5:00 pm Mass and coffee/donuts after 9:00 and 11:00 am Mass. Childcare at 11:00 Mass will be starting soon.

Parish Voice: VBS was really successful!

Parish Council/Stievenard Meeting Schedule (7:00 pm Parish Center):

- 09/05 - Combined Parish Council/Stievenard Meeting
- 10/02 – Parish Council
- 11/06 – Parish Council