

REPORT – PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2011

Attendance: Fr. Ed Koharchik, Geoff Unger, Jean Tixier, Marcello Rodriguez, Dot DeWitte;
Finance Council members Glenn Rosilier, David Boone, Judy Tixier Fyall, Mary Armatta

Prayer: Offered by Mary Armatta

Finance Council Concerns/Issues:

- Trailer
 - Fr. Ed to meet with Patsy Ward, Sr. Yvonne, Mary Armatta & David Boone concerning future use of trailer.
 - Possibly going to family in need.
 - Roof won't be fixed until moved and set in place.
 - If too costly to move to new location, could be used as extra classroom.
- Roof
 - Per Marcello, estimate 3 years ago was 5K to seal roof using new screws/nails; new roof not needed.
 - Need for updated estimate.
- AC
 - Fr. Ed, Mary Gomez & Marcello to meet 4/29 with Mark Spellman to discuss extent of problems & needed repairs.
 - One unit definitely not working.

Budget Talk:

- Slated for May 7/8, Glenn Rosilier to present state of parish finances at all Masses, separate from homily, but mid-Mass to reach everyone.
- Educate parishioners re: what it costs to run a parish.
- Currently 20% of people account for 80% of offerings .
- Pledge cards important to budgetary process.
- Cards will be passed out at Mass; also available in church for pick-up; need to be returned within 2 weeks.
- We are at the “bottom of the cash barrel” (per Glenn). Only able to pay interest on loan, not reduce our debt. Estimate \$9500 monthly needed to do so.
- Mary Armatta will oversee all normal expenditures; those outside parameters will be presented to Finance Council.
- Fr. Ed to ask bishop to exempt us from paying 10% of special collections.
- Fr. Ed will also contact diocese re: an emergency line of credit to take care of unforeseen major expenses.
- Fundraisers needed to support RE.

Increased Offertory Giving:

- Diocese will cover entire cost of utilizing CAVAN Corporation to send out appeal for increased offerings.
- Fr. Ed will personalize form letter to fit parish, send back letterhead and his signature, and CAVAN will do the rest.

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- Fundraising Committee, under leadership of Jason & Stephanie Vidrine, have signed up

volunteers to help.

- Will use large tent for shade (and for outdoor Mass if it rains).
- Anonymous \$1500 donation for supplies.
- Activities include races, games, potluck.
- JP II movie in church, Divine Mercy chaplet @ 3 PM.

Sister Yvonne's Farewell – May 22

- Scheduled after 11 AM Mass, in parish hall.
- Proposal to name food pantry in her honor.
 - Marcello will take care of providing a plaque.
- Visa gift cards suggested as appropriate farewell presents.
- Texas Trotters & food pantry will have their own farewell parties.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday May 18 at 7 PM in rectory.

Closing Prayer:

Offered by Geoff Unger. Meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dot DeWitte