

**St. Michael Catholic Church**  
**Pastoral Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 16, 2011**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Conference Room**

**Present:** Fr. Bob, Will Macedo, Jennifer Thaete, Greg Antonoff, Elizabeth Ezekwem, Scott Genung, Erika Gruidl, Pam Hamilton, Carol Myllenbeck, and Carol Perry.

**Absent:** Deacon Bill, Fr. Javier, and Raul Fregoso

- I BEGINNING PRAYER –Will Macedo  
-- Gospel of the Week (Matthew 15:21-28)  
-- Question of the week: How do you invite an unbeliever to share in your belief in Jesus Christ?
- II CALL TO ORDER –Will Macedo
- III PARISH ISSUES OF NOTE
- Discussions were held regarding:
- a. Updating Parish Website, i.e. Pastoral Council minutes not shown.
  - b. How we can communicate with the parishioners regarding notification of upcoming events, weddings and funerals.
  - c. Holding a refresher course for Eucharistic Ministers on how to clean up Precious Blood spills in a manner that is non-sacrilegious; how to shut off smoke alarm.
  - d. Re-educate parishioners on proper way of receiving the host and consuming it immediately.
  - e. Provide safe environment training.
- IV. YOUTH MINISTRIES UPDATE -- Erika Gruidl/Deacon Bill Archer
- It was reported that:
- a. The Life Teen and Confirmation calendar was set and will start September 10, 2011.
  - b. The youth retreat this year will be held at Pinecrest.
  - c. A small group of individuals will be making their Confirmation when Bishop Cordileone visits St. Michael.
- V. HISPANIC MINISTRIES UPDATE – Raul Fregoso
- In the absence of Raul, Fr. Bob gave the following report.
- a. The Mass for St. Michael’s Festival will be held in the Church this year and not outside; and the time for the festival will be shortened.
  - b. Update on status of Suspension of the Hispanic Prayer Group. A Leadership Committee is being hand-picked by Fr. Bob which will work to bring about unity and a spiritual attitude commensurate with the teachings of the Catholic Church.
  - c. Latino Bible Study will start Friday, August 19, 2011.
- VI. PASTOR’S REPORT – Fr. Bob
- a. The Deanery meeting will be held Tuesday, September 6, 2011 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Topics will be “How to address the needs of single parents, and divorced Catholics”.
  - b. Tim Hook, our new school principal will attend the next Pastoral Counsel meeting and make a presentation.

Discussions were held regarding:

- i. adding a member to the Pastoral Council who knows a lot about technology and can look at a wider overall spectrum regarding various media, i.e. Website, Facebook, and Twitter.
- ii. Drafting a forum for the Bulletin which deals with science topics and how they bear upon our beliefs.

VII. New Business

- a. Laura Spraugh made a presentation regarding the Lenten Mission to be held March 17 through 22, 2012, to be led by Rev. Christopher J. Crotty C.P.M.
- b. Elizabeth Ezekwem urged all to sign up for the Serra Catechetical Institute a 12-month formation process for parish and Catholic school catechists, parents and all adults who want to know their Catholic faith better and be able to share it more effectively.

VIII. Old Business

- a. Council terms –Two members are past their expected 3-year terms and we are looking to fill their slots. A list of names has been presented to Father Bob for consideration.

IX. Deacon Bill's Report

In Bill's absence, there was no report.

XI. Next Meeting – 9-20-11                      Prayer and Snacks by: Greg Antonoff

Submitted by: Carol Perry, Secretary                      8/23/11