

St. Michael Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2011
7:00 pm
Conference Room

Present: Fr. Bob, Will Macedo, Jennifer Thaete, Pam Hamilton, Carol Myllenbeck, Scott Genung, Raul Regoso, Sridhar Ramanathan, Elizabeth Ezekwem, and Carol Perry.

Absent: Fr. Javier, Deacon Bill Archer, Lisa Malone, and Erika Gruidl.

- I BEGINNING PRAYER – Pam Hamilton
-- Gospel of the Week (Matthew 25:14-30)
-- Question of the week: What gift haven't you developed as you had hoped? What could you still do?
- II CALL TO ORDER –Will Macedo
- a. **Tim Hook**, new Principal of St. Michael's School, was introduced. Tim spoke to us regarding his background: briefly, he is an active Catholic, participated in Catholic organization, and taught private school kindergarten and at DE LaSalle; Tim's main focus for the School is to bring it into the 21st century (improve technology environment), to improve communication between parents and teachers, and to stay connected with the Parish; and what Tim expects from the Pastoral Council is to maintain a connection with the School and he suggested that we consider including a member of the Pastoral Council on the School Board and a member of the School Board on the Pastoral Council.
- b. **Bishop Salvatore J. Cordileone** met with the Pastoral Council during his visit to the Parish the weekend of November 4th through 7th. The Bishop was interested in what we did as a Pastoral Council and what we collectively saw as our main purpose to the Parish and Fr. Bob. A discussion was held with the Bishop regarding stewardship, bringing cultural communities together, and what the Diocese wants from the Parishes and what the Parishes would like from the Diocese.
- III PARISH ISSUES OF NOTE
- A discussion was held regarding possibly including a monthly prayer intention in the weekly Bulletin.
- Dennis Lundbom**, a member of the Knights of Columbus, spoke regarding the plans for the Mass and Celebration of Fr. Poon's 50-year Jubilee and the setting up of a Student Award Program (not a scholarship).
- IV. YOUTH MINISTRIES UPDATE -- Erika Gruidl
- It was reported that there was a need for volunteers for Life Teen and the Second Year Confirmation Class.

V. HISPANIC MINISTRIES UPDATE – Raul Fregoso

Raul reported that:

- a. There will be a procession for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 3rd at the Church of Christ the Light in Oakland.
- b. Work is progressing on the celebration of the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Michael's Church on December 11, during which there will be a living Rosary recited in both English and Spanish.
- c. Update on status of Suspension of the Hispanic Prayer Group. The Hispanic Prayer Group continues to meet on Fridays under different group leadership with Spanish speaking teachers. The sessions will continue to be held until December. At that time an evaluation will be made and Fr. Bob will establish permanent leadership.

VI. PASTOR'S REPORT – Fr. Bob

- a. The Confession Schedule for advent will be the same as usual with the following exceptions: December 19th 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and December 21st 5:00 p.m. –7:00 p.m. in the Church
- b. Mary Fair will attend the January 17th Pastoral Council Meeting and make a presentation regarding models of Pastoral Councils.
- c. We are still looking for a Chairperson for the Annual Church Fundraiser.
- d. Father Bob announced his program for "Keeping Christ in Christmas". He suggested that when one saw a Merry Christmas sign in stores and/or the store staff wished you a Merry Christmas to thank the Management for the practice. Father Bob also asked that we give the names of these establishments to him and thank you notes would be sent to the management.

VII. New Business

None

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.
- b. Discussed the manner of use of New Missal changes for Mass.

IX. Deacon Bill's Report

None

XI. Next Meeting – January 17, 2012

Prayer and Snacks by: Carol Perry

Submitted by: Carol Perry, Secretary

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