

**MINUTES OF PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2009 – Room 201**

Meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 pm.

Members of the Council present: Michelle Dahnke, Fr. Michael Foley, Pat Hall, Steve Goodwin, Regina D'Souza, Robert Siedlecki and Donna Biggins

Michelle Dahnke let the Council's faith sharing.

The minutes from the August meeting were approved.

Michelle Dahnke reminded the Council of the dates of several upcoming events.

Ministry Fair, September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. A sign up sheet was presented for members to volunteer their time at either a Mass or at the table at the fair.

World Priest Day, October 18, 2009. Members are encouraged to email Pat Beckett if you are interested in helping with the reception or planning.

Parish Welcome Dinner, November 17<sup>th</sup>. This is a dinner that all newly registered members are invited to. Council members need to check their calendars and let Pat know if they can attend and help act as hosts.

Fall Festival, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm. Donna Biggins is asking all ministries at Good Shepherd to help out at the Fall Festival. Pastoral Council has agreed to take over a game. Handing out prizes, making sure children are playing correctly, etc. A sign up sheet will be at the October meeting.

The Council proceeded to finalize the following goals and objectives for the up coming year. It was disabused that it is necessary for the Council to obtain materials related to evangelization in the Catholic Church including if there are any current plans in place by the Pope and or Bishop for Evangelization. Fr. Michael will talk with Pat Beckett to obtain copies for all members of the Bishop's Plan for Evangelization.

There was also discussion of how to publicize this goal and to recruit people to become involved. The question was asked, what is currently being done in Evangelization? These questions need to be answered by the goal team through the objectives listed below. After much discussion the Council affirmed the following:

**Goal 3: Prayerfully form an Evangelization Core Community who will provide leadership and coordination in the area of evangelization and who will welcome all in the name of Jesus Christ.**

Objective 1: Gather and study resource materials, including the U.S. Bishop's Plan for Evangelization, to assist in determining future action plans by November 2009.

Objective 2: Publicize the formation of the Evangelization Core Community through various means including personal invitations and pulpit/bulletin announcements, extending the invitation for interested parishioners to participate in the development of the ECC by February 2010.

Objective 3: Based on objectives 1 and 2, recommend key areas of focus for upcoming Good Shepherd evangelization efforts by June 2010. Fr. Michael will obtain copies for all members of the Bishop's Plan for Evangelization.

Goal Team 3 will consist of Michelle Dahnke as team leader, Steve Goodwin, Michael Graddy and Robert Siedlecki.

These objectives were discerned through discussion and faith sharing, however, everyone please review and prayerful reflect on them during the next month so that we can finalize any suggested edits to wording, etc. in the next meeting.

Fr. Michael thanked everyone for their time. He stated that evangelization is the goal of Good Shepherd and thanked us for helping in this process

Donna Biggins led the closing prayer. Steve Goodwin volunteered to do faith sharing at the next meeting scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Donna Biggins volunteered to do faith sharing for November meeting on November 10th at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Biggins, Assistant Communications Coordinator