

MINUTES OF PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, October 13, 2009 - Room 201

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Members of the Council present: Michelle Dahnke, Claire Duchemin, Pat Beckett, Bill Beckett, Regina D'Souza, Steve Goodwin, Mike Graddy, Rob Siedlecki, and Marcie Vernon. We had one guest present also, Rob Pochapsky.

Steve Goodwin led the Council's faith sharing.

The minutes from the September meeting were approved as corrected.

Michelle made a few announcements. Ginny Nelson has tendered her resignation from the Council. World Priest Day is October 18, 2009, and Pat Beckett went over the schedule of events for that day. Michelle reminded everyone about the welcome dinner on November 17, 2009 at 5:30, and Pat Beckett asked members who planned to attend to let her know no later than one week before the dinner. Claire was directed to prepare a bulletin announcement about the different goal teams and their objectives to help with soliciting other parishioners to join a team. She also will prepare a flyer for insertion in a bulletin. The flyer will identify the goals and objectives of the teams and will request volunteers.

Michelle asked all goal teams to report on when they are having their meetings. All goal team members were encouraged to review the United States Catholic Bishops' evangelization article, which Pat handed out, and other information available on evangelization on the Bishops' website: www.usccb.org. Michelle requested that for the next meeting, we all be prepared to discuss what the goal teams need from Pastoral Council to make sure all teams are moving forward. For goal team 2, Michelle suggested the team might want to think about implementing some system where new parishioners were invited to serve on the goal team. This is a great way to obtain new ideas and to get new parishioners involved in the parish right away. Steve Goodwin suggested we might want to consider using some of our meeting time next month to have "break-out" sessions for the goal teams. Other members of the council agreed, so long as it is not the only meeting the team has.

Next year when Michelle is trying to remember where she put the Pastoral Council backboard and banner for the ministry fair, we all agreed to remind her that she took them home for storage. We were quite successful this year at the ministry fair with a few more people indicating an interest in Pastoral Council.

Mike Graddy volunteered to do the faith sharing at the next meeting which is scheduled for November 10, 2009.

After a closing prayer, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.