

Pastor: Fr. Robert Schaller*
Deacon: Deacon Matthew Ludick*
Pastoral Associate: Sr. Bridget Donaldson*

Youth Minister: Patrick Brueggen
Parish Secretary: Mary Jacobson*
Director of Religious Ed: Rebecca Schumacher*
Music Director: Amy Gleason*

PARISH COUNCIL:

Chair: Andrea Stupi*
Kris Barry
Tom Bertram*
Francis Brown *
Shelly Copeland *
Les Giesler*
Betty Schultz*
Bob Stupi*
Lawrence Warzynski*

Note: *after the above names indicates attendance at this meeting

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Holmen, WI
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting –May 16, 2011**

Welcome: Andrea Stupi welcomed the council.
Prayer Service: Spontaneous prayer by Fr. Schaller
Minutes: Approved as written
Agenda: Addition to New Business:
- SCRIP
- Parish Renewal

Reports:

See written reports distributed with agenda for May 16, 2011 meeting.

Family Life

Comment:

PCCW father son brunch: in place of a brunch, perhaps schedule in fall for a picnic/barbeque; Sr. Bridget to review with PCCW members.

Education

No additions.

Sacred Worship

Comments and Discussion:

-Music development: Amy Gleason, Director of Music, continuing to develop choirs, cantors and instrumentalists; reviewed Triduum and Easter Sunday; problems with sound systems being evaluated; several council members expressed dissatisfaction with music selection; respectful discussion followed regarding selections of music for the Sacred Liturgy; it was stated that many parishioners are requesting "more upbeat and uplifting music" at Mass; further discussion ensued that music can be both inspiring and appropriate for Mass - that it be viewed not on popularity but on appropriateness of text, musical style and form; it was also noted that music needs to correspond with the implementation of the new English translation of the Roman Missal later this year:

-New translation of Roman Missal in effect for the First Sunday of Advent 2011; The English translation of the words we use in the Mass will be changing and prayer and song books will be revised; changes will mostly affect the Priest; Fr. Schaller to begin educating on the changes during September and October with a five- video series.

Social Justice

Additional Comments

Habitat for Humanity: SEAS to host June 17th; to assist in finishing off final home on Hope Ct;

Food Pantry: Shelly Copeland volunteered to host coffee on guest days (Tuesday and Friday);

Homebound Ministry: need parishioners willing to visit with our homebound/hospitalized parishioners.

Youth Report

No additions.

Finance Report

Larry Warzynski provided a verbal financial report (DAA, Bldg Fund and Adult Envelope Receipts year to date actual and year to date last year).

Old Business

Parish Council Elections to be held May 21/22, 2011 at all Masses; three to be elected and one appointed.

New Business

SCRIP: Parishioners can purchase gift cards for places where they plan to shop, and use those cards instead of cash or credit – non-profit organization can earn up to 15% rebate for fundraising purposes; a parishioner approached Sr. Bridget for SEAS to become enrolled in program; volunteer coordinators are needed for a successful program; more research and discussion needed due to implementing proper financial procedures and a software program and tax implications if guidelines not followed; will table until next pastoral council meeting in September;

Parish Renewal: several council members and parishioners requested that a parish renewal/mission be held in the upcoming year due to the success of the “Rediscovering Catholicism” faith sharing group held at SEAS this past Lent; council members indicated their desire to be “Renewed”, continue their faith formation in order to grow in their Catholic knowledge and “share their stories” with fellow parishioners;

Present Site Development Committee Report: report completed to assess what can be done to accommodate future needs; a council member had several questions on zoning issues; Fr. Schaller to schedule joint meeting of the Pastoral and Finance Councils to provide a forum for input on the report recently submitted by the Present Site Development Committee.

Other

With appreciation to Bob Stupi for serving four years on the Pastoral Council;

Happy Birthday Rebecca Schumacher!!!

Closing Prayer and Adjournment (Fr. Schaller)

Our Father – All

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD Monday, September 12, 2011 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Jacobson