

Sts. Anne & Joachim Catholic Church  
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes  
August 16, 2011

A pastoral council meeting was held Tuesday, August 16, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Fr. Duchschere, Brenda Breen, Jolean Pederson, Ben Seitz, Katie Traynor, Ron Ward, Mike Wurzer, Dawn Zook. Members absent: Karen Benjamin, John Clark, Katie Dubas, Scott Selzler, Job Lado. Also in attendance: Lee Mayer, business manager and Connie Dulany, recording secretary.

Fr. Duchschere began the meeting with a prayer. Mike Wurzer asked if there were any additional items for the agenda. Brenda Breen made a motion to approve the June 2011 minutes, seconded by Ron Ward, said minutes were approved.

Lee Mayer reported that the general fund had a \$61,000 balance at the end of June. A ¾-ton pickup with a blade has been purchased from the diocese for \$12,000. This will be a big improvement for snow removal. A new server and four computers have been purchased for the parish offices for \$12,500. The average life of a server is five years and it's been eight years since we upgraded. The privacy fence at the end of the south side parking lot is finished. The youth center has only the floor left to do. \$60,000 from the building fund has been paid on our loan with the diocese. Lee does not recall another time when our general fund was so healthy at this time of year.

The parish picnic was a successful event last month. The free-will offering was the same amount as last year and expenses were comparable as well.

Council members looked at upcoming parish events. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the September 17 pop/pizza/bingo night be moved to Saturday, September 24. The parish mission will be September 19-22. The raking service project/potluck supper has been put on hold for now. Fr. Duchschere will contact Brien Krank to request that the Boy Scouts be involved with the pizza/bingo night.

There was a discussion on how to keep parish families informed about upcoming parish events. The website is one way and is maintained in a timely fashion. Use of emails in the parish software system could be used. Nicole Welle Nere, events and communication coordinator, will be asked to research this option. Other possibilities are Facebook and Constant Contact.

Mike Wurzer reported to the council that he had visited with Nicole regarding recent requests to use the kitchen. Few requests have been made that would require oversight by a subcommittee. As of now, no further action will be done to create a subcommittee.

Father concluded the meeting with prayer. Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Dulany, Recording Secretary