

ST. PETER PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

12 FEB 2009

MEETING MINUTES

St Peter Parish Pastoral Council

- Fr. Joseph A. Angotti
- Secretary: John Mearns
- 3rd Year: Jim Beckman, Mary Carol Larson, Tim Mikula, Vic Stearns
- 2nd Year: Don Barker, Ron Gigliotti, John Knoll, Glenn Minich
- 1st Year: Nancy Hannon, Pam Ruminski, Eric Smith, Jerry Wallace

The meeting was opened with a prayer at 7:00 PM.

Minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved with the following change.

- John Mearns will serve as the secretary.

Old Business:

- St Peter statue update
 - Committee is Terry Larson, Don Barker & John Mearns
 - Fr Flanigan joined us to share some thoughts and ideas about St Peter, who is thought of as a fisherman and as one who holds to keys to the gates of heaven.
 - After our discussion, we decided a standing version of St Peter with the fishing net might fit best in our church.
 - We also concluded that placing the statue in the choir area might be a better location than the face of the balcony.
 - Fr Jim will get a quote for fiberglass work.
- "Standards of Excellence" training/seminar
 - Rescheduled for 7:00PM on 19 Feb at Our Lady Of Consolation in Merrillville.
 - Ron, Jim, Vic and Don will be leaving the parking lot at 5:30PM
- Parish Appreciation Dinner
 - Postponed due to weather and will be reconsidered for June/July.
 - Instead of looking for volunteers, we want to invite people.
 - Let's form a committee of about 6 people.
- Special speaker for Lent
 - Chris Hawkins is managing a 5 week program on the Passion of Christ
- Committee reports
 - Parish Life Committee – not meeting till March
 - Peace and Social Justice Committee – hasn't met recently
 - Glen went to a meeting at Bethany Lutheran. The intent is to form a committee consisting of members from each church called the First Contact Program. The purpose of the program is to be central point of contact for all churches and programs available. We have decided that we definitely want to support this program.
 - Nancy Hannon is willing to represent St Peter in this program.
- Other
 - Avoid donuts during lent, other than that, Fr gave permission to do this every week.

- Parish website: <http://members.csinet.net/stpeterschurch/>

New Business:

- Vigil lights
 - Cons: dirt/soot from the candles; is there any insurance issue
 - Pros: very good fundraiser
 - If we get good candles, that should minimize any soot.
 - Father is acceptable to this. One possible location is the area around the tabernacle.
- Parish pictures/directory
 - Jim has information from the firm that did the last Parish Directory.
 - We need to check with the various firms that perform this service to find out the pricing and the parish commitment requirements.
 - Ron will follow up on the companies. Mary Carol will look for information from people that may have been involved in our last directory.
- Other

Future Meetings

- March – first Thursday, the 5th
- April – skip
- May – first Thursday, the 7th
- June – first Thursday, the 4th

Closing Prayer

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.