

**ST. PETER PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
**3 SEPTEMBER 2009**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

Father Angotti

John Mearns, Secretary

3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	1 <sup>st</sup> Year
Jim Beckman	Don Barker	Nancy Hannon
Mary Carol Larson	Ron Gigliotti	Pam Ruminski
Tim Mikula	John Knoll	Eric Smith
Vic Stearns	Glenn Minich	Jerry Wallace

The meeting is started at 7:00 PM.

Minutes from the 4 Jun 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved as entered.

Old Business:

- St Peter statue update
  - Fr. Flanigan brought a rough relief of the statue made of oil clay. It will be approximately 6 feet tall and will have a bronze look to it. Materials will be approximately \$1400. The intention is still to mount it on the face of the balcony. We will need to pay attention to the finished weight. Fr. Jim does not yet have an idea of what the finished weight will be.
- Parish Appreciation Dinner
  - October 4 is now on the parish calendar.
  - Potluck
- Vigil lights
  - The lights have been installed and they look very nice.
- Parish pictures/directory
  - Picture taking is completed. Based on the number of pictures they took, we will get 12 pages at no charge for staff and other pictures.
  - We should get the book proof in approximately 6 weeks.
  - Thanks to Skip Dietz and Frank Zolvinski for taking the group pictures.
- Committee reports
  - Parish Life committee
  - Peace and Social Justice Committee
    - Nothing to report.
    - The thought was presented to have Ted Cooper come by to give us a presentation on his activities in the St Vincent society.
- Worthy Women Recovery Home
  - At this time, the council feels that we do not have any resources available, other than moral support, at this time. We do agree that we will continue to look for ways and other sources of assistance for them.
- Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Indianapolis.
  - If we want to pursue a survey of our own, there will be significant work for the members of the council. The company does offer one survey at no charge. Jerry will contact Immaculate Heart of Mary to see how they made use of the data. The council decided that we would like some additional information.

- Other

#### New Business

- Comments on the Parish audit and the effects of the economy. Warren Ransom was here to review the audit and the financial statement. There were 2 minor issues.
  - The diocese would like the funds from special collections turned in sooner.
  - Stipend account disbursements must be watched a little closer. This account can only be used for very specific items.
  - Other comments regarding the overall financial health of the parish:
    - About 16% drop in normal Sunday collections.
    - Other parishes are also feeling the crunch of the economy.
    - The Finance Council reviewed the Financial Statement last night.
    - Warren presented a resolution that the Pastoral Council must approve regarding Jerry Wallace, Warren Ransom and Fr. Joseph Angotti being assigned to the Signatory Account at Wells Fargo. A copy of the resolution will be emailed to council members at a later date. The Council approved the resolution and it was signed by John E. Mearns.
- Diocesan education programs
  - Jim will attempt to contact Anne Verbeke for available programs.
- Pastoral Council Discernment
  - Take the paper home and review for the next meeting.
- Fr Father brought up that the Renovation of the Church decided that the parish wanted a certain simplicity to the church. No more decorating after we get the new St Peter.
- Donuts
  - Parish Life Committee will handle in November
  - We would really like to see it back in the Parish Center.

#### Future meeting dates

- October 1 - Father Joe will not be present but we will still have the meeting. Our sole topic will be the Pastoral Council Discernment of new members. Please review the information presented at the 3 Sep meeting. Mearns will email the information to those not present at the meeting.
- November 5
- December 3 ?

#### Closing Prayer

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm