

**St. John the Baptist Church
Parish Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 3, 2012**

Meeting Attendance:

- Members Present: Father Skluzacek, Father Johnson, Bob Denton, Noelle Olson, Steve Arndorfer, Alan Foley, Paul Onken, Andrew Steuve, Beth Robertson, Mike Schwarz, Pat Rother, Dave Drajna, Pat McCormack
- Members Absent: Curt Cooper, , Mikki Gottwalt, Jen Schmitz, Dan Jobin, Gene Marsh

Introduction:

- Prayer: Paul Onken
- Secretary: Noelle Olson
- Treats: Paul Onken

Old Business:

- December minutes approved
- Council Activity Reports (CARS) – none presented

New Business:

- Parish Self Study(Father Johnson)-
 - Parish Report (encompassing 20 areas of the parish) due by Feb 15th
 - On-site visit scheduled for Feb 29th by Auxiliary Bishop Pichè

- Parish Administrator's Report (Alan)-
 - December financials not available yet
 - Finance Council to meet tomorrow night
 - ❖ Subcommittee to give recommendation for tuition and fees for next year
 - ❖ Updated by-laws up for approval
 - One Spirit Many Gifts campaign
 - ❖ Alan is spending a lot of time on and feels positive about it

- PPC Goals
 - Parish Communication-
 - Chair announced Pat will take this forward

 - Way of Family Faith Formation (Beth, Noelle, and Jenny)-
 - met in December, still in gathering phase, next week plans to visit St. O's program and others to attend Faith Formation Board meeting on Jan 11th

 - Social Teachings (Steve A.)-
 - has found some people that are interested in helping and still trying to find the right path for this goal

 - Our Lady of Guadalupe completed and beautiful.

 - Community (Paul)-
 - handed out 1500 copies of books at Christmas (ran a little short-more copies coming in)

- Liaisons Reports
 - SPAC (Pat)-
 - commented on SPAC's concern of tuition increase, wanted to keep the increase modest
 - Wines to Wishes will be next big fundraiser for school
Please encourage all to attend!
 - Tithing (Mikki)- absent
 - Alan explained-tithing money comes from the operations budget every year. The Committee examines applications, makes recommendations to Father who will decide
 - Stewardship (Mike)-
 - Discussed desire for parish ministry fair sometime in first quarter
 - Talk of dovetailing the fair with One Spirit Many Gifts campaign
 - Looking into ways to recognize parishioners of 50 years or more
 - Next meeting to concentrate on goals for 2012
 - Finance (Dan)- absent (refer to Alan's report)
 - Stewardship Subcommittee (Bob)-
 - PPC is tasked with working through the book-Stewardship A Disciple's Response This book is to help understand what stewardship/discipleship actually is
 - As a large group the PPC went through Preface together then broke into smaller groups and read/discussed more of the book
 - Those small groups will finish the book during the council's regular meetings

Closing:

- Blue Sky (Chair)-
 - Bob commented on the general good mood after reconvening from the small groups
 - Paul commented on how touched he was when giving out books as gifts at the Christmas masses
 - Steve A. was glad to have the opportunity to greet people before Christmas mass began
 - Beth asked if plans were in the works for greeters at the Easter masses.
 - ❖ Fr. Skluzacek would like greeters at **every** mass but is not aware of anything set for Easter.
 - Topic for next month's meeting: How to solicit parishioners to come forward and become greeters?
- Pastor Comments (Fr. Skluzacek)-
 - Fr would appreciate our prayers for his surgery tomorrow

Next Meeting:

- **Tuesday, February 7, 2012, 6:00pm**
 - Prayer: Steve A.
 - Treats: Steve A.
 - Meeting Secretary:TBA