

**St. Mary Parish Council Meeting**  
**March 10, 2009**

**Meeting opened:** 6:30 by Mary Campbell

**Gathering hymn:** Hosea

**Pray:** Challenged by Baptism, nourished in Eucharist, we commit to ongoing transformation in order to build the reign of God in Family, workplace and society.

**Scripture passage:** John 2:13-25

**Share/reflect:** Council members shared and reflected.

**Haiti Prayer**

**February Parish Council minutes approved as amended**

**Guest/Visitor** None

**Budget Approval** Ron Gilles

There was some discussion summarizing any concerns from the budget meeting on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. The Finance Committee will continue to monitor and communicate any changes or concerns in the future. The budget was approved by Council

**Mortgage Proxy-** Ron Gilles

The modification of the current mortgage to a 15 or 20 year at the current rate through the Catholic Knights has been recommended by multiple 3<sup>rd</sup> parties as a great deal. The proxy for the mortgage has been approved by Council.

**Pastor's report-Fr. Chuck**

Archbishop Dolan is leaving for New York soon. This will extend the time we have to work out more collaboration within our parish cluster. Bishop Sklba will be visiting April 25/26. He may want to preach at the services that weekend. Parish Council is set to meet with the Bishop on Sunday April 26 after the 9am mass. Lent is off to a good start. There has been good attendance at the Paul talks. Judy has checked and attendance has been remaining steady at approximately 2000 individuals. Communal Reconcil 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Youth report** - Megan Kuchenbecker

There was a collection of books for Penfield which was very successful. There is a retreat for confirmation students coming up on the 25/26. June up within a week. Bishop Sklba is scheduled to conduct Confirmation on October 11. The High School Religious Education classes will continue through April. The confirmation session with Rick Curren was discussed in the Catholic Herald. April 14<sup>th</sup> Teen SPARC is scheduled to visit Penfield in the morning.

**Financial report-** Ron Gilles

February year to date is down \$55,000.00 compared to last year at this time. It has been discussed with department heads to not spend any funds unless they really need to. The Financial Admin Service Commission will be starting committees shortly. Forest Home construction will not affect our Festival. They will not be working that far up Forest Home by this summer.

**Capitol Campaign-** Fr. Steven

Tracy Borgardt and Lisa Ryan have volunteered to be our 2 Chairs. They are looking for volunteers to contact parishioners. Thank you to those participating. They are moving along. There will be filming at the 9 and 11 am masses on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**LLFF presentation follow-up-** Lorie Scheinkoenig

Council is welcome to stop in and visit anytime. It was nice to see how the groups are trying to collaborate between themselves. They will be invited in May again for follow-up. We will be looking at more specific goals so that they can compare where they are from year to year.

**Ministry to the unemployed**-Pam Lownik (as sent in writing)

sought out to participate in this ministry with Catholic Charities. There will be a meeting on March 12. The cost to the Parish will be \$3000.00, out of last budget. This is very exciting. Right now the Ministry is just looking for awareness.

**Parish Council Retreat**-Pam Lownik (as sent in writing)

The Council will have a retreat at the church on Friday March 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30. Please RSVP by March 11, 2009.

**Discernment**- Cathy Marbach

The committee had met several times. There will be bulletin notices the next 3 weeks. The committee will get an announcement to the priests soon. Information is also being sent home in the Red Folder to spark interest in some of our younger families.

**Reminder**- Undies Sunday is the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please bring new underwear for donation.

**Closing prayer:** Our Father was prayed, followed by the Sign of Peace.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:56PM.

Minutes submitted by Jenni Jackson, Recording Secretary

Next meeting: April 14, 2009

**Present**

Fr. Chuck Schramm	Tom Warner	Chris Charapata	
Bob Landowski	Mary Campbell	Dan Roskopf	Joyce Roesler
Fr. Stephen Forrest	Jenni Jackson	Megan Kuchenbecker	Tim Welch
Cathy Marbach	Bob Stollenwerk	Ron Gilles	
Kelty Chelius	Lorie Scheinkoenig		

**Excused**

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