

**St. Mary Parish Council Meeting
October 13, 2009**

Meeting opened: 6:35 by Don Roback

Gathering hymn: Companions' on a Journey

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: Mark 10 35-45

Share/reflect: Council members shared and reflected.

Haiti Prayer

September Parish Council minutes approved as amended

Guest/Visitor– None

Pastor's report-Fr. Chuck

There has been a lot of information shared on the budgeting process and it is moving steadily along. This is an exciting time! Bishop Sklba was here; his visit and confirmation went great! Priests in District 16 gathered on October 1st. We are very happy with our cluster. The next meeting for Vision 21 implementation will be December 3rd. The whole Archdioceses is motivated to conduct a ProLife presentation on the eve of Rowe vs. Wade.

Priest Situation- Dan O'Conner

We are moving right along at a pretty productive and satisfactory pace. There are a lot of people helping out and things are running smoothly for Fr. Chuck right now.

Youth report - Megan Kuchenbecker

September 18/19 was the final Confirmation retreat. There were 45 students in attendance. Confirmation was October 11th; the service was beautiful and was a very moving experience. October 5 was a youth pizza party with Bishop Sklba. He did a great job facilitating this event. October 18th is our next teen mass. High School and grade school Faith Formation enrolment is up. Our annual food drive is coming up on November 22-23.

Financial report- Ron Gilles

We have received our first distribution of \$49,000.00 from our Faith in our Future campaign. We are currently at pledges of \$525,000.00; our goal was over a million. We are at about 34% of our goal. There is one more mailing coming out and a couple of more follow-up meetings. August Financials will be emailed to council. In continuing with our forecasting to ensure that we are under our 100,000.00 deficit threshold, Ron reviewed the previous 2 months and we are still under that threshold. We have received the proxy approval via mail from the Archdioceses to hire an architect and receive bids on the Columbarium project. This information will then be submitted to the Archdioceses for final approval. We are monitoring our website. Anything that needs to be posted on our site should be emailed as an attachment to Ron and he will filter through the information appropriately.

Basketball Uniform approval- Don Roback

This was approved via email. The motion was made and passed during the meeting to finalize the email approval.

Life Long Faith Formation Budgetary Information Jim Beuscher, Tim Winters and Wendy Rappe'

Each presenter provided a handout to council on their responsibilities and the amount of volunteers they utilize. In total there are approximately 200 volunteers who assist in these programs. They are all doing great things for our Parish, Thank you!!!!Please see the printouts to follow the minutes for specifics. They will each get their top 5 responsibilities and the amount of time they spend on those items to the budget committee.

Other- Don Roback

We are trying to get the items on the budget flow chart completed before the meeting on the 5th of November. It may be close but it can be done. There have been some questions arising on the survey. The predominate 2 are: Do we have time to collect the data? and Do we have time to create the survey? This survey will only cost us \$300.00 for a third party vendor to take the electronic data and analyze the results. Council has a copy of the over 200 questions. We can add to and/or delete any questions that would/would not benefit our purpose. Council has made the commitment to make the time to get it done in essence of assisting in making the right budgetary decisions for the parish.

Parish Council News handout was discussed. This will be a bulletin insert in the October 19th bulletin.

Council Retreat- Joyce Roesler

A summary handout was provided to council to assist in the planning of next years retreat. Thank you to all who participated and to Joyce for providing the summary.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 PM

Minutes submitted by Jenni Jackson, Recording Secretary

Next meeting: November 10, 2009

Present

Fr. Chuck Schramm	Tom Warner	Bob Landowski	Dan Roskopf
Joyce Roesler	Megan Kuchenbecker	Jenni Jackson	Mary Lang
Cathy Marbach	Clem Budny	Ron Gilles	Kelty Chelius
Debbie Karegeannes	Bob Stollenwerk	Denise Konkol	Don Roback
Robb Lietinger	Chris Charapata		

Excused

Nicole Frittitta	Cara D'Amico
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