

# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

August 9, 2011

**Welcome:** Ben Heck opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Day led us in prayer with “Open my Heart”

**Roll Call:** Fr. Day, Paula Andres, Tim Book, Merle Kruer, Sharon Schmidt, Jim Book Jr., Diane Martin, Betty Vick, Ben Heck, Jason Nett, Sharon Schmidt, Alfred Schmidt, Hilda Schmidt, Cathy Graniger and Steve Smith were all present. Todd Adams absent.

**Minutes:** Minutes from last month were read and one correction was made. The \$40 to Dustin was for web address only. Betty V made a motion to pass the minutes and Diane seconded it. Unanimous approval by membership.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**Election of officers:** Ben, Jason, and Paula were nominated. Ben nominated Jason for president and he accepted. Ben will take over for vice president. Steve made a motion of acceptance of these officers and Betty seconded it. Unanimous approval by membership.

## **Events for 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:**

Jim Book emailed drawings of St. John the Baptist and we will go with the one of John the Baptist pouring water. Prices for the pole banners, double sided: \$292, pole kit brackets: \$183, Costs for 3 poles is approximately \$1000. Jim will look into the costs for flags to go on the poles along St. Johns Rd. Father will get with Kathy to plan the liturgy. Catering: Betty V reported the menu from Debby Gregory. Approval was given to purchase banners.

**Approval of Cemetery Policy Committee:** Paula made a motion we pass the proposed updated policy and Jason seconded it. Unanimous approval by membership. Fr. Day ratified the Policy which will take effect as of November 1, 2011. Copies will be made available to parishioners by means of a bulletin insert and on the Parish Web Page.

**Approval of Parish Hall Rental Policy Committee:** Diane made a motion we pass the proposed updated policy and Hilda seconded it. Unanimous approval by membership. Fr. Day ratified the Policy which will take effect as of November 1, 2011. Copies will be made available to parishioners to pick up after Masses and on the Parish Web Page.

## **COMMISSION REPORTS:**

**Faith Formation:** Richard Smith Scholarship winners are Patrick McPhillips for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and Emily Koetter and Gabe Schmidt for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. K-8<sup>th</sup> grade kick off and registration is Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> after 10am mass. This is a family event. We will be serving light lunch-hotdogs, and watermelon, and making a timeline in the school hall for the 150<sup>th</sup> ann. CFF classes will begin Sun, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>. We are losing John Rowan as a full time 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade catechist. Father is trying to secure us a seminarian. We are looking into participating with neighboring parishes for confirmation. Parent meeting on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> in Smith Hall.

**LITURGICAL AND SPIRITUAL:** Liturgy meeting is this coming Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. The Choir is learning a new Mass Setting for the Revised Liturgy that begins on the first Sunday of Advent. Marilyn Rowan will be chairing the Baby Bottle Boomerang Committee again this year for Respect Life Sunday which will be the weekend of Oct 1-2.

**MAINTENANCE:** Discussed the 3 things that need work: steeple, church interior, and needed covering for the new front doors of Church. We will make necessary repairs to the inside of the church to get it ready for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass in November. Steve will get current estimates for the repair of our steeple from Frank Delbridge. Larry Tipperman will be here on this coming Monday [August 15<sup>th</sup>] at 6:00PM to discuss ideas for the protecting the new front doors from weather.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Finance Council is completing the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter financial report which reflects the totals for the fiscal year 2010-2011. The report should be issued shortly. Indications are that we had a good year. The cash position report for the fiscal year was shared with the group. It reflected a total cash position of \$332,994.24 in various accounts. \$10,282 was paid out of the parish funds to cover a portion of the cost of refurbishing the church exterior. The remainder may need to come from the ADLF or from the Strawberry Festival Proceeds. Goal for our fall 2011 Christ Our Hope Campaign is \$10,313 again this year. The new phone system has been ordered at price of \$3000 and will be installed soon. The new Roman Missal required for the revised Mass Texts have been ordered at a cost of \$205 and the pew cards are \$300. We have made a parish donation of \$500 to the Billboards for Life ministry in lieu of a presentation and second collection.

**Communication:** Cathy will communicate to Dustin Wilcox what is needed to update the website

NEXT MEETING: Sept. 13th at 7:00pm

Father led us in our closing prayers.