

St. Mark's Parish Council

November 15, 2011

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Fr. Joe, Fr. Abuchi, Brigitte Kwasnicki, Kevin O'Shea, Ed Parker, Nancy Sullivan and Jeanne Yannuzzi

Update

- As noted in last PAC meeting, the St. Mark's rectory will be sold now that Fr. Joe and Fr. Abuchi are residing at the OLM rectory. Proceeds will be used to pay down Diocesan debt.
 - Parishioner who is a Real Estate Agent will list the house.
- New Translations go into effect in November
 - Ministries have been trained and are up to speed on variations.
 - Music Ministry has been rehearsing new translations
 - CEC Program informing students
 - New Translation cards will be available at Mass.
- Financially St. Mark's continues to do better
 - Most recent fiscal quarter St. Mark's was in the black and able to pay down some Diocesan Debt
 - Online giving continues to be a strong source of donations
 - October donations increased compared to last year – despite unusual snow storm

PAC Membership

- 3 Appointed PAC members need to be replaced come January as terms expire.
 - PAC Members provided Fr. Joe some names/feedback on potential new members.
 - Fr. Joe will begin contacting people to possible join the PAC.
- The two elected members on the PAC have one year remaining in their term, so elections will be held in the fall of 2012.
- As Dave Woeste recovers, the PAC would like to begin offering remote access to the PAC meetings, perhaps through Skype.
 - Fr. Joe to discuss this with Dave and family.

Welcoming Of New Parishioners

- It has been about two years since this was done at Mass
- PAC to pick a date/Mass and Parishioners who joined St. Mark's in the last two years will be invited to come to that Mass and be recognized.
 - PAC members should email possible dates to Kevin prior to next meeting. Late January early February time frame.
- Possibly have a "hospitality" event at that Mass
 - Discussion was held regarding "Fellowship Ministry" and possibly re-establishing.
 - Currently one Parishioner coordinates Hospitality Sunday's and it can be overwhelming.

PAC Activities 2011/2012

- At our next meeting we will begin to revisit the SWOT analysis done a few years ago.
 - At that time action items were categorized as "immediate" and "longer term"
 - It is now time to revisit the "longer term" items.

- Evangelization
 - At our next meeting PAC will begin to consider ways to use Jeanne's parishioner database and identify key parishioners in areas around the Parish to possibly become a sort of welcoming committee for new neighbors in the area.

New Business

- Boy Scouts of America is holding "Scout Sunday" on February 5th and Kevin (on behalf of Cub Scout PAC 136) has asked if St. Mark's can participate.
 - A Mass time will be determined and coordinated with Fr. Joe.

The next PAC meeting will be held on January 9th, 2012 at 7:30PM