

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes for April 26, 2011

7:00PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Fr. Gerard Mahoney, OSFS, Fr. John McGinley, OSFS, Fr. Francis Rinaldi, OSFS, Anthony Albence, Carolina Alberti, Mark Blaschke, Jim DelGrosso, Michael DiOssi, Jr; Pete Gigliotti, Barbara Marsilii, Josephine Panariello. Lucretia Serio

EXCUSED: Ginger Bahr, Paul Ceresini, Elaine Duggan, Anthony Frabizzio, Pete Giorgi, Sr; Ken Panella, Karen Truitt

- Opening Prayer was offered by Fr. McGinley
- Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 2010 Meeting
 - Jim moved & Barbara seconded the motion to approve the minutes.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion Topics
 - Parish Financial Update/Budget
 - The Christmas 2010 collection was a record collection. The Easter collection total is still being finalized and appears to be an increase over prior years.
 - Fr. McGinley announced Ray Barto's resignation. Ray's new position will be Business Manager at St. Mark's High School.
 - Plans are underway to fill the position.
 - Continuing the Legacy Campaign Update/Projects Update
 - The parish is contacting donors who have stopped contributing due to concerns about lack of progress on Legacy-funded projects.
 - Donors are provided updates on progress towards project goals and are asked to resume their commitment towards the campaign.
 - Reviews have been very positive regarding the completed restoration of the mosaic. Fr McGinley expressed his gratitude to Mr. Rizzo for their donation of the services for the restoration, as well as the donation of the scaffolding needed for this project.
 - Annual Catholic Appeal 2011 Update
 - Anthony updated the Council on progress towards this year's Appeal goal.
 - To date, contributions total approximately 90% of goal.
 - Anthony encouraged Council members to encourage all parishioners to contribute to assist the parish in meeting our Appeal goal.
- High School Representative(s) Update
 - Michael DiOssi, a senior at St, Mark's High School, provided an update on current happenings at the school.
 - St. Marks has earned multiple state sports championships this year.

- Graduation will take place on June 4th.
 - On a related note: Fr. McGinley remarked that eight student parishioners who serve as liturgical ministers who will be graduating from high school this year. These young people will be presented a token of appreciation by the parish in recognition of their service.
- Grade School & Home and School Update
 - Lynn Kee provided the update for Ginger.
 - As of today 272 students are enrolled.
 - Staffing changes: Mrs. Cole & Mrs. Finamore are retiring, and Mrs. Lowry & Shockley (Cafeteria Manager) will depart at the end of the year.
 - May Procession is scheduled for May 11th.
 - The last day of school is the 1st & Graduation will take place on June 8th.
- Standing Committee Updates
 - Parish and Family Life
 - The past several weeks have been a very busy time for the committee (April Parish Social/Parish Easter Egg Hunt/May Parish Social)
 - The committee has been stretched thin recently, but all available members have “pitched in“ to make recent activities a success
 - Christian Formation: No Update
 - Social Concerns: No Update
 - Building and Maintenance
 - Brick pavers were added to the area between the rectory and the church.
 - Expansion of “The Cage” (Festival foodservice area) is underway.
 - Renovation of the rectory porch is planned.
 - A concern was raised regarding the health of the large tree between the church and the school (safety hazard due to falling branches).
 - Liturgy/Parish Liturgical Life
 - Fr. McGinley provided an update on plans regarding the implementation of the new Roman Missal.
 - Cards will be provided in the pews to assist parishioners with adapting to the new translation, as well as other formation opportunities.
 - Italian Festival
 - Bocce will not be offered this year, as no coordinator could be secured.
 - The Ballad Room will be operated by an outside vendor (La Casa Pasta/Chesapeake Inn). Traditional dishes will be offered, as well as additional specialty dishes.
 - Efforts are underway to rehabilitate and maintain our cooking & refrigeration equipment properly.
 - Italy trip raffle tickets are now available and all Parish Council members are encouraged to assist in selling tickets. Please contact Anthony or stop by the rectory to obtain tickets.

- 8 Day Passes are also now available for sale via the Festival website or at the rectory.
 - Respect Life
 - Josephine provided the update for the committee, and provided a recap of the 40 Days for Life campaign efforts.
 - The Committee will be selling roses on Mothers' Day as a fundraiser for committee activities.
 - YAC: No update
 - Scouting
 - Boy Scouts
 - A camping trip is planned.
 - Girl Scouts
 - Cookie sales were very successful this spring.
 - A trip to the Please Touch Museum in Philadelphia is planned.
 - Saint Anthony in the Hills
 - Policies have clarified by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors regarding procedures for weddings held on site.
 - The next Board of Directors Meeting/Annual Corporate Meeting will be held at the Hills on May 16th.
 - The annual Parish Mass & Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 14th. Fr. Robert's 75th anniversary will be celebrated in conjunction with this event. Mass will be celebrated at 1PM, followed by a barbeque lunch & the pool will be open for swimming.
 - Holy Name Society
 - Operations are running smoothly under new organizational leadership.
 - Sodality
 - Lucretia provided an update:
 - Sodality attended Via Crucis on Good Friday (4/22).
 - During the month of May, the Sodality will place flowers at the Shrine of Our Lady in the Church.
 - The Sodality's May Procession is May 15th, with the highlight of the crowning of the Blessed Mother. Marie Panico will crown the Blessed Mother, chosen via a random drawing.
 - The final meeting before the summer break will be on May 17th.
- Music Ministry Update
 - Mark mentioned that five cantors have had to resign. New cantors are needed.
 - All liturgies during Holy Week and Easter went very smoothly.
 - Musicians will be providing complimentary concerts during the Festival.

- New Business
 - Parish Council nominations will be accepted during the weekends of 4/30-5/1 & 5/7-5-8.
 - The biographical sketches of nominees will be available in-pew and on the parish website.
 - Parish Council elections will be held on 5/21-22 at all Masses.
- Pastor's Comments
 - Fr. McGinley encouraged everyone to attend the next Long-Range Planning Meeting on Thursday, 5/5, as we move towards the end of this process.
- Closing Prayer/Adjournment
 - Fr. McGinley led Council members in the Our Father to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Albence
Acting Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Long-Range Planning Meeting, facilitated by Ed Gordon, on THURSDAY 5/5/2011 @ 7PM in the Rectory