

St. Barbara Pastoral Council Monthly Meeting

MINUTES

MARCH 8, 2009

7:00 P.M.

ST. BARBARA'S ROOM

MEETING CALLED BY	Charter
TYPE OF MEETING	Recurring Monthly
FACILITATOR	Roy Draper
NOTE TAKER	Keith Biskup (backup for Paul Hunton)
TIMEKEEPER	N/A
ATTENDEES	Present: Fr. Ken, Fr. Doug, Cara Biskup, Keith Biskup, Roy Draper, Carla Goetz , Brad Polk, Joe Cepec, Rita Haldeman, David Yant, Bob Weir, Maxine Weir, Dave Kent, Barb DeFelice Absent: Paul Hunton

Agenda topics

1. **OPENING PRAYER** **FATHER KEN**

The opening prayer was offered by Father Ken – Update on Father Joe (mugging)

Roy set the ground rules – Be on Time! Review minutes prior to meeting and come prepared to discuss

2. **PASTORAL COUNCIL RETREAT MINUTES REVIEW** **PAUL HUNTON ET. AL.**

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keith reviewed the minutes and they were approved 	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

3. **BRAINSTORMING SESSION-CONTINUED** **COUNCIL.**

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was confirmed that the council does not need to follow the New Wine New Wineskins model Increase participation and activity Three to five actionable activities for 2010 Build off of existing committees Improve publicizing fish fry (local paper or mailer) Build off of things that bring people that normally do not come to church (fish fry, festival, corn roast, St. Nicholas Feast, Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, Fellowship Sunday-Donuts, Mother's circle-includes non-parishioners (Maxine) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Build off of current members at events following events B. Have handouts with church information times, events, Haiti news, food bank (non-members) More kid friendly different options to make families with children feel more comfortable Draw on Easter and Christmas mass goers – focus group What is Cornerstone Ministries doing to draw people? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -More entertainment or club -they send cards to all of Penn Township versus just parishioners Father Ken spoke about the twelve disciples and each inviting one person and doubling the parishioners – (“I have something I
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	<p>love and I want you to be part of it” – Father Ken)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural issues; Cornerstone –open arms to any fallen religious parishioners • What groups are not attending mass: Young families, divorcees, etc. • Impediments to why people do not come: Structure, Not getting something out of it, sermons, • After September 11 mass looked more like a holiday mass (more need oriented) • Bring God to the Center of Attention – Focus on the meaning of mass • Take advantage of Penn-Trafford Star – Advertising Church Events • Parishioners the main deterrent versus priest <p>2011 Retreat – Third weekend in January – Friday at Saint Barbara & Saint Emma’s on Saturday (Maxine will reserve)</p>
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<p>2010 GOAL</p> <p>Increase attendance and participation at mass.</p> <p>HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT</p> <p>-Impediments to why people do not attend mass -How can we get more people here and have all parishioners do the same? -What are the impediments and what is a solution to the impediments? -Interview a Catholic who is not coming to mass -Invite a neighbor to mass</p> <p>Reserve St. Emma’s for Saturday session of retreat Reserve St. Barbara Social Hall for Friday evening activity</p> <p>Donut Sunday in May or June for Council Sponsorship Rita will Update</p> <p>April Meeting Meditation hosted by Barb</p>	<p>EVERYONE</p> <p>Maxine</p>	<p>APRIL 2010</p>

4.

CLOSING PRAYER BY FATHER KEN

FATHER KEN

- Discuss homework assignment

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS 7:00 p.m. MONDAY, April 12, St. Barbara

Open Actions (Summary)

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<p>2010 GOAL</p> <p>Increase attendance and participation at mass.</p> <p>HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT</p> <p><i>Be prepared to discuss the following point in reference to our 2010 Pastoral GOAL:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Impediments to why people do not attend mass -How can we get more people here and have all parishioners do the same? -What are the impediments and what is a solution to the impediments? -Interview a Catholic who is not coming to mass -Invite a neighbor to mass 	Everyone	April Meeting
<p>Post meeting minutes and updated Pastoral Plan on the website</p>	Keith Biskup to Fred Wassenaar	Monthly
<p>April Meeting Meditation hosted by Barb</p>	Barb DeFelice	April Meeting
<p>2011Retreat Discussion of Date: Maxine Will Schedule Social Hall at Saint Barbara's for Friday Social Saint Emma's for Saturday Meetings</p>	Maxine Weir	April Meeting
<p>Second Quarter Activity: Donut Sunday May or June</p>	Rita Haldeman	April Meeting