

Parish Council Agenda

March 10, 2003

7:30 in the Old Prayer Room

- I. Opening Prayer Elma Penaranda
- II. Approval of Minutes Minutes for the February, 2003 Meeting
- III. Suggestions for Pastoral Councils Second half of Chapter Three: reading – Charles Gittings
(remember to bring your copy of Suggestions)
- IV. AGENDA
- A. Pastor's report Rev. Timothy K. Johnson
- B. Christian Enrichment Ministries report (see attachment #1). Norah Hippolyte
- C. Pastoral Assistant report (see attachment #2). Norah Hippolyte
- D. School report (see attachment #3). Sonya Simril
- E. Old Business
1. Long Range Pastoral Plan for St. Leo's (see attachment #4)
2. Thank you dinner. Norah Hippolyte
3. Questions from January Meeting Minutes Norah Hippolyte
- How are parishioners deepening their lives at St. Leo's?
Do the parishioners have adequate social events?
We should encourage young adult participation.
Do we look at people as possible future council members?
Other faith community relationship.
How do we rate our success? ...with our mission statement? ... with the happiness of the parishioners?
- F. New Business
- V. Closing Prayer Stephen Howe
- VI. Hospitality Jesse Medina

Attachments: February 10, 2003 Parish Council Meeting Minutes.

1. Christian Enrichment Ministries Report.
2. Pastoral Assistant Report.
3. School Report.
4. Long Range Pastoral Plan Homework from 2/10/2003 Meeting.

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Attendees: Fr. Tim K Johnson, Gil Aduato, Charles B. Gittings, Jr., Norah Hippolyte, Dorian Laird, Joseph Loduca, Stephen Howe, Charles Gittings, Jesse Medina, Elma Penaranda, Alema Rayman.

Absent: Angie Minor

Guests: None.

Hospitality: Jesse Medina

Opening Prayer: Elma Penaranda

Closing Prayer: Stephen Howe

Corrections: Elma Penaranda's last name was misspelled in the Approval or Parish Council Minutes section.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35PM

Approval of Parish Council Minutes 2/10/2003

First – Alema Rayman

Second – Norah Hippolyte

Readings from Suggestions for Pastoral Councils

Charles Gittings – Chapter 3 (Part 2) Developing a Vision for your Parish

Setting goals, objectives and strategies are central to the long range pastoral plan.

Engaging the staff and empowering the parishioners is essential to succeeding to the realization of these ideals.

Reactions to the reading:

Gil sees this as the continuation to last month when we talked about the mission statement. Now we talk about executing it. Fr. Tim and Norah discussed posting the mission statement in the Church. This will keep our mission in the front of the minds of the parishioners.

Pastor's Report

The new bishop visited and said mass on March 10. He met some of the parishioners. The Church website is down due to a server change. We should consider putting council meetings, and other things on the web site such as council members' and priests' biographies. Fr. Joseph has returned from China. He may be returning to China after exams pending a decision of the bishop in China.

Faith Formation

RCIC

Norah announced that Lent has begun and that this is a very active time for the ministries.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Christian Enrichment

Attendance remains steady. The facilitator is trying new strategies to encourage participation.

First Reconciliation

Four young teens started attending in February.

Pastoral Assistant Report

Norah reported on the scheduling of the Thank You Dinner at the Colombo Club June 14. Depending on the menu selected, prices range from \$16 - \$20 per person. The Council agreed unanimously to try this for the Thank You dinner this year. The Fish Fry is March 14 at 6:00PM in the Fr. Lacey Room. Theology on Tap will be the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning March 18 at 7:00 PM at the Kerry House. The first speaker will be Tom Scirghi, SJ on the Eucharist in a Fast Food Culture. The website is www.eastbaytot.org.

School Report

Sonya announced that new student testing is March 8, 2003. The school is still working to complete the Science Center due to the damage of some of the tables and cabinets during shipping. They have been returned to the vendor and are awaiting replacements.

Old Business:

Results of the Long Range Pastoral Plan were categorized. A new document will be produced so that they can be prioritized next meeting. (See attached)

New Business

Norah would like the council to address the questions from the January meeting minutes next council meeting. Fr Tim characterizes the people at St. Leo's as deep, and they are good listeners to Homilies. 15 – 20 people came just to meet the new bishop. We are starting to look at people as new council members. Nominating committee created consisting of Gil, Fr. Tim and Norah. We should take the opportunity to start inter-faith activities/services with neighboring institutions. Rating success by listening to the parish family and participation. Norah spoke of a parish mission or some sort of week of revival meeting. On that same topic Elma announced a revival/mission/get-together on April 12 at her house.