

The Parish of St. Eugene Pastoral Council Minutes April 12, 2010

Attending: Father Ed Sheridan, Deacon Mike Zboyovski, Traci Davis (Chair), Gary Roberts (Vice-Chair), Mechelle Kobar (Secretary), Charlie Krug, Dan Brown, Jim Christian, Tom Kotz, Carol Jordan and Tommy Brooks

Absent:

The meeting took place in the Social Hall then moved to the Conference Room and started at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer by Deacon Mike.

The following topics were discussed:

- **Faith in Action – Caring for Creation – Wendy Murray:** Wendy Murray attended the conference **Catholic Approach to the Care of Creation & Climate Change** in Charlotte, NC. She presented her findings to the council and is eager to learn, share and make a difference in our parish and community. She stated that it only takes 5% of 65% of all Catholics to notice a change. The council is excited to form a committee to take on this challenge in our parish with Wendy taking the lead.
- **Music Minister Update:** We have a candidate, Carole Marrs, who will be ready to take over this position, which will include Children's and Youth Choir's, effective July 1, 2010. She is a parishioner at St. Eugene's, well known in our community, has a music degree and is qualified for this job. We welcome Carole and give great thanks to Valerie for ALL of her hard work during the last year!
- **Youth Mission Trip/Fundraiser Update:** The Youth ranging from 8th grade thru 12th grade will be participating in a Mission Trip to Bluffton, SC in July 2010. Fundraising has included: selling miles for \$10.00 each to sponsor this trip. The progress of this endeavor is posted on our Bulletin Board for all to see. We also had a Bake Sale on Super Saturday, helped the Ancient Order of Hibernians with their St. Patrick's Dinner and also helped the Knights of Columbus with their Fish Fry. We will also have a Car Wash and sell candy. We hope to raise approximately \$6,000.00 to cover costs and travel.
- **PPC Elections:** It was discussed and decided to change how we handle our Elections Process. As amended in our Bi-Laws this will no longer be an Election but rather a Selection. We will ask for nominations who are willing to serve as council members then put their names into a "hat" for a random drawing. Each council member nominated 3-4 parishioners which will be asked to throw their name in as well as we will ask the parish at Mass to volunteer also. We will have our drawing at our next meeting in May. The newly selected members will be invited to our June, 2010 dinner meeting.
- **Church Maintenance/Marshall:** We do not have a date for Marshall's return as of yet. In the mean time, Ken Queen will be filling in 2 days a week and Mike Redden will also help out. Also, the Knights of Columbus have stepped up to help out as needed.
- **Other:**
 - **Sister Anita:** Sister Anita will celebrate 60 years as a Sister of Mercy in Charlotte on Saturday, April 24, 2010. We will honor her on Sunday, April 18 at the 8:30 and 11:00 Masses. We are so blessed to have her as our Pastoral Associate for the Sick and the Homebound.
 - **Pictorial Directory:** The council decided that it is time for an updated directory. A committee will be formed to evaluate companies for a fall 2010 shoot to be distributed in spring 2011.

- **All Saints Chapel:** Father Ed discussed the idea of naming our Day Chapel as the **All Saints Chapel**. The reason is that our beautiful mural is called the Communion of Saints. Calling it All Saints is an honor not only to our loved ones but also to ourselves for one day we all hope to be part of the Communion of Saints.
- **Church Building:** Bill Wescott has been asked to investigate why the concrete in front of our front doors is breaking off. He has taken core samples and will try to get bids from companies to fix this problem.
- **Closing:** The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. with prayer.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Mechelle Kobar

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 6:00 pm.