

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2009

I. Opening Prayer

Father Gentili opened the meeting with a prayer.

II. Roll Call

Present: Marilee Beyer, John Blank, Kim Brown, Joseph Cannella, Carol Ann Ernst, Angela Guidone, Vince Furlong, Anne Kane, Pamela Miller, Lawrence Senour, Mark Wetzel, Father Gentili

Excused: Barbara Tramo, Deacon Gohde, Father Navit

III. Scripture Reflection

Mark Wetzel led the Scripture Reflection with the theme "Call to Holiness".

Marilee Beyer will lead the Scripture Reflection for the February 3, 2010, meeting.

IV. Approval of Minutes from Previous (Oct. 7th) Pastoral Council Meeting

The minutes were approved as written.

V. Report By Ex Officio Members (Finance, Adult Faith Formation, Religious Ed)

Annual Review of Catholic Education: Anne Kane presented the Annual Review of Catholic Education for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. This report is required of the Archdiocese. Each parish is responsible for reviewing religious education and formation as part of their mission statement. Upon review of our religious education and formation at OLG, it was determined that OLG follows standards as required, there are no major issues, and an area that may be explored is young adult faith formation. It was consensus that in the next year, the Pastoral Council and Father Gentili will monitor all areas, but no major studies are necessary.

Finance Council: Angela Guidone gave a report of ongoing business: expense and collection summaries, new rectory search, subsidy policy for Catholic school students, rent information for CB East/Holicong, fund raising committee appointments. Larry Senour volunteered to represent the Parish Pastoral Council in fund raising committee meetings.

Religious Education (PREP) – Pamela Miller reported that PREP classes had begun. A food drive was taking place to help BCHG, and Confirmation is scheduled for April 10, 2010.

VI. 10th Anniversary (July 1, 2010)

Various ideas were discussed including: a picnic in the summer months, a dedication/anniversary celebration on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe and parish visitation. The council is going to reflect on these ideas, and further discuss at the next meeting. Some ideas are contingent upon the completion of the church building.

VII. Updates

1. **Land development process** – Father Gentili provided an update on the sale of the rectory at W. Long Lane, and provided updates on the purchase of a new rectory on Ash Mill Rd. Parish offices will move to Cold Spring Creamery location in January. Building at the site continues to progress.
2. **Capital Fund Campaign and Heritage of Faith** – Father Gentili provide the results of his conversation with Bishop McFadden regarding our campaign efforts. Michelle Boesch was present as the coordinator of the Campaign Committee and provided an update as to what the ideas and plans are for the campaign.
3. **Liturgy Committee** – Joe Cannella is our liaison to the committee which will meet throughout the year to determine liturgy requirements. The liturgy committee will meet throughout the year and assist Father Gentili to ensure appropriate planning and celebration of the liturgical life of the parish.
4. **Website** – Kim Brown has posted PPC meeting minutes and the directory to the parish website. Kim is looking into the possibility of establishing an email address where inquiries can be sent. Mark Wetzel volunteered to be the contact for email coming in and will handle accordingly.
5. **Security for the chapel** – Vince Furlong will provide detailed information to Father Gentili for options regarding security for the chapel.

VIII. Catholic Life Congress

The Catholic Life Congress will be attended by members of the council on November 14, 2009. Carol Ann Ernst is the point of contact for information. Attendees will report at the February meeting their views of the event.

IX. Next Meeting

Father Gentili distributed a document, “Official Church Resources for Consultative Bodies” which council members should review before the next meeting. The next meeting is Wednesday, February 3, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

X. Closing Prayer

Father Gentili led the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Brown
Secretary