

All Saints Pastoral Council Minutes
May 4, 2011

Pastoral Council Members Present: Ken Jacks, Fr. Julio Vicente, Joyce Majure, Johanne Schmidt, Sarah Schumaker, Deb Snyder, Fr. Les Kish, Bill Steiner

Guests: Randy Moore, HCR; Jessica Goodman, Matthew DeGoede, Teresa Polis, parishioners

❖ **Opening Prayer- Johanne**

Johanne led the group in a focus prayer "Bring Us to Life in Your Spirit"

❖ **Approval of Minutes**

Johanne moved the council approve the minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting. Joyce seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

❖ **Welcome New Members**

New member Bill Steiner was welcomed to the council. New members Ann Smith & Marcia Ney were not present.

❖ **Presentation from Hells Canyon Rock (HCR)-Randy Moore**

Randy explained he had been invited to speak to the council about a proposed columbarium on our building site. A detailed model was on display. Its features were described to council members as a completely fenced area offering 5,300 niches for internment in basalt columns placed in the shape of a cross and an additional 4 Plexiglas enclosed structures offering an additional 254 internment spaces. Electric gates, benches throughout, stamped concrete walkways, a fountain in the center basalt column, nighttime up lighting visible from the air combine to create a beautiful well thought out fully handicap accessible facility. The perimeter fencing is 6 ft. tall with the highest internment pillar being 10 feet graduating down in size in 6 inch increments on the four transepts of columns. This low maintenance package comes complete with all electrical, water, concrete, grass, planting and fencing installed.

Totally cost of the project is \$2.6 million. The owners have established a three phase payment proposal. An initial payment of \$216,666.00 would allow project start up and immediate presale of niches could begin. Based on a proposed selling price of \$4,400.00 for niches on the top half of the basalt columns and \$3,100.00 for niches on the lower half of the columns, the sale of 347 niches would fund Phase 1 & 2 of the project. Balance due for Phase 3 would \$1.3 million. They are proposing interest free funding with a 50/50 split of the sale price of niches on the remaining number of niches sold necessary to satisfy that debt. After 700 niches are sold it would be owned free and clear. Perpetual care costs are projected at \$75,000 a year and could be funded by setting aside a portion of niche sales to establish a perpetual care fund.

Randy closed by expressing he feels this is an extraordinary opportunity.

❖ **Proposal to form All Saints Young Adult Group-Matthew DeGoede, Jessica Goodman & Teresa Polis**

Matthew spoke to the council on behalf of a group of All Saints Young Adults currently meeting for activities & socials. He stated All Saints has great youth and family programs but nothing aimed at young adults. This is a stage in life when many people leave the church, so the need is great.

This group, currently about 10 members, would like to create a small community or social network where young Catholic adults can mutually support one another in their faith and grow through formation activities. They would like to network with other young adult Catholics in the North Central Deanery.

What they would like from the council was presented as:

- 1) Be established as a ministry of our parish.
- 2) Be allowed the use of parish resource, such as facilities.
- 3) Help in streamlining bulletin and verbal announcements
- 4) Be represented on the parish website, ability to use website as a resource.
- 5) Possible help coordinating with North Central Deanery on occasion. Would like the ability to have retreats, after the group is organized and functioning.

The council is very supportive and very positive of this concept. Deb acknowledged the councils awareness this is a weakness in our parish structure. Fr. Les stated he was in favor of establishing this ministry and would like this group to present a comprehensive plan.

What the council would like from this group in order to establish this as a parish ministry is:

- 1) Establish a Mission statement and a chair person.
- 2) Identify goals.
- 3) Contact Deacon Chris Davies to determine if he will be a resource and mentor.
- 4) Present a proposed six month calendar.
- 5) Identify target audience and how this group would minister within that wide scope of needs.
- 6) Research young adult groups within the Diocese and geographical area to see how they function.
- 7) Return to the council when they are ready to present their findings for council approval.

Fr. Julio stated right now there are a good number of young people willing to work in and be part of this ministry. He is willing to work with them throughout this process and into the future.

❖ **Parish Administrator Report-Sarah**

• **ICA Report**

Currently our donations and pledges for the 2011 Idaho Catholic Appeal are at \$104,620.20. We have \$21,332.80 remaining to reach our goal of \$125,953.00.

• **Budget Report**

Sarah summarized the details of the April financial summary by category with the council. At the conclusion of the monthly summary she distributed her first draft proposed numbers to finance fiscal year 2011/2012.

Sarah led the council through a line by line detailed explanation of the proposed budget. The finance committee has not worked through this proposal yet.

After the finance committee meets and goes through this proposal Sarah will email any changes they propose to the council members.

Deb complimented the good work that has been done to combine the three churches finances and the great strides that have been made to get the parish finances into a single Power Church system.

❖ **Pastors Report**

Fr. Les had nothing to add to the agenda.

❖ **Property Sale Update**

- Larry Hellhake plans to come in May. He would like to meet with the Salvation Army, discuss appraisals, and hopefully meet with the new Administrator of St. Joseph Regional Medical Center.

The purpose of his trip will be to try to establish common ground.

❖ **Old Business**

Deb reported the North Central Deanery Pastoral Council is holding an orientation May 7, 2011 at St. James for new parish representatives. Bill Steiner has agreed to attend the orientation for information purposes only. He is not prepared to commit to being All Saints parish representative at this point. The parish report needs to be completed. Due to some health concerns, Sherri Breeding is not able to do this. Deb is working on finishing this report to be submitted to the North Central Deanery Pastoral Council.

Deb & Johanne have fulfilled their time commitment of leading the council in prayer and need a replacement. Bill Steiner agreed to fill this role and Johanne passed on the resources they have been using.

❖ **Schedule Next Meeting**

The next monthly meeting of the council will be held on June 15, 2011, and will possibly be a joint meeting with the Finance Committee to discuss and approve the 2011/2012 fiscal year budget, beginning at 5:30 pm in the social hall at Our Lady of Lourdes.

❖ **Closing Prayer**

Fr. Julio led the council in meaningful closing prayer.

*Respectfully submitted by,
Gail Estes*