

**St. Catherine of Siena  
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2011**

**Present:** Kerry Curran, Serge Etoga, Erin Fetsko, Carl Franck, Eileen Gravani, Mary Lee Noden, Colleen Perkins, Nancy Pringle, Janet Strelbel, Bev Way, Fr. Joe Marcoux, Sr. Mary O'Brien

**Excused:** Juan Arroyo, Beth Carroll, Matt Cooney, Rick Hartman

**Absent:** Casey Williamson

The PC meeting opened with a prayer led by Bev Way.

Mary Lee Noden moved to approve the April PC minutes which was seconded by Eileen Gravani. The minutes were approved by the PC.

Fr. Joe's Comments:

Fr. Joe informed the PC that Eileen would be requesting end of year reports from the various Parish committees as was done last year. Eileen will send out the previous year's reports to the committees so the format of the reports is consistent.

Fr. Joe provided an update on the International Festival. There will be an Elegant White Elephant sale. Entertainment is in place. A consultant has been hired to assist. Sarah Hokanson is coordinating volunteers. There are door hangars that will be placed on the neighboring homes giving them courtesy admission to the festival.

Fr. Joe returned recently from a convocation where Fr. Paul Turner from Kentucky spoke on the new Roman Missal. Fr. Joe has the slides from the presentation and will utilize them to inform the parishioners of the new information. This will be done through the bulletin. Fr. Joe will begin to read through the texts after Masses so people are familiar. One parish priest is utilizing the new creed after every meeting and in all groups. Full implementation will occur the first weekend in Advent 2011. We will get the texts in October.

Building and Grounds Committee Report:

Allan Lentini, Tom Every and Steve Moolin provided a presentation on the recent work of the B&G Committee. The Committee shared that they felt the PC must manage the future of the St. Catherine's facilities to effectively support programmatic objectives. Long term goals include: 1. Oversight of St. Catherine's facilities and grounds; 2. Inform Parish leaders of physical and financial needs on a regular basis; 3. Avoid future surprises due to lack of sufficient maintenance and due to lack of funds for renovation and/or refurbishment.

The Committee felt that one of the critical issues was insuring adequate funding for short and long term needs.

The B&G Committee asked the PC to consider the following;

- Agree to meet with the B&G two times per year to review activities and receive information regarding the upkeep of the facilities and grounds.
- Consider a budget of \$20,000 to begin with and add \$10,000 per year until a total of \$50,000 was reached.
- Fund repairs and items that cost \$5,000 or less. Capital projects would be considered those that cost more than \$5,000.

Fr. Joe thanked the Committee for their work. The B&G Committee needs our decisions so they can move forward. The PC considered the B&G presentation immediately following. The PC supports the maintenance of our building and grounds. The B&G is encouraged to provide a presentation to the Finance Council.

Welcoming Statement:

The PC discussed the revision of the St. Catherine's welcoming statement. The PC will continue working on revising the current welcoming statement. By doing so, it will provide an opportunity to educate the Parish community on the teachings of the Catholic Church.

End of Year BBQ:

Fr. Joe will host an end of year celebration. We will send out dates for the PC to consider.

Thank You's for April:

Bev wrote a thank you for the Lenten Sketches and Easter music. Janet wrote a thank you to Chris Pollock thanking him for his work on the Communications Committee.

The PC felt that the following committees and/or people needed to be thanked for their work and contributions for April. The PC wants to thank the Adult Faith Group (Mary Boris) for their work on the St. Catherine of Siena Play. We also want to thank the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee (Steve Jesch) for the reception following the play. The PC also wants to thank Ernest Backus and the High School Youth Group for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the Parish. The PC also wants to thank the Liturgy Committee (Sr. Mary) for their work on the Easter Liturgy. Matt Cooney will send out the thank you's for this month.

Thank You's for Service on the PC:

Fr. Joe presented Bev Way a token of the PC's appreciation on behalf of the Parish for her dedication and work on both PC and Executive Council. The PC will thank Matt Cooney and Casey Williamson with tokens of our appreciation for their service to St. Catherine of Siena on May 19, 2011.

Minutes Submitted By:

Janet Strebel

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