ST PATRICK'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES

March 6th, 2012

Members Present: Father Kuhn, Deacon John, Mike Farrey, Art Clark, Sharon Clark, Jeff Spangler, Pat Joyce, Terry Peterson, and Greg Bergenske.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved as written.

Approval of the Minutes: Minutes were approved as written.

Commission/Committee Reports

FINANCE COUNCIL: July through January financials were handed out. January was good for us.

LITURGY COMMISSION: Holy Week Masses are as follows: Holy Thursday, April 5^{th} , at 5:00 PM with Adoration till 7:00 PM – Good Friday, April 6^{th} , at 12:30 PM – Easter Vigil, April 7^{th} , at 7:00 PM, and Easter Sunday, April 8^{th} , at 7:30 AM and 10:00 AM.

EDUCATION COMMISSION: There was no school report.

Religious Ed: First Reconciliation was celebrated on Wednesday, Jan 18^{th} at 5:00 PM in the Church. We had 40 students. First Communion preparation is underway. First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 6^{th} , at the 10:00 AM Mass. We will have 54 students celebrating this Sacrament this year. The 9^{th} graders have taken field trips to ECHO and will be going to the House of Mercy soon. Catholic Charities will also be coming to talk to the class on how they serve the community. The combined 7^{th} and 8^{th} graders took a field trip to Whitcomb's Funeral Home. During Lent, many of the 6- 12^{th} grades will be attending Stations of the Cross.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMISSION: The primary phase of the 2 ladder, 2 landing bell tower project is complete. We now have a safe way to access the bell tower. We will continue to work inside the tower in the spring on one more landing and two more ladders. A fire detector was replaced on the 2nd floor of the rectory. It was full of water and had to be removed and by-passed. The detector was replaced with a new smoke and carbon monoxide detector. Make-up PVC piping for the furnace was improperly sealed at the 90 degree elbows and were leaking water on the floor. This water seeped thru the floor and on the ceiling tiles below. The PVC piping has been repaired and the leak corrected. Paint damage on the doors in

the furnace room will be repaired within two weeks. Panic hardware on the center west outside door has been repaired and is now fully operational. The insurance company will cover damages to the school. We are in the process of getting bids and will be filled in as it unfolds. Lights in the Church have been replaced with CFL (compact fluorescent light) lights. The ceiling repair is still up in the air.

VOCATIONS COMMITTEE: The Summerbell Family will pick up the Chalice this Sunday at the 10:00 AM Mass.

<u>JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMISSION:</u> ECHO: Crop Walk will be the last Sunday in April. The last Friday, April 27th, there will be an ECHO dance.

April 15th through April 22nd we will again assist Asbury Methodist Church with the Gift Shelter. We have been averaging 3-5 more men a night than last year.

BINGO: Attendance is up a bit. They are in need of "new" volunteers.

TRUSTING IN THE SPIRIT: The last meeting was in January. There are no more scheduled meetings. A recommendation that St Patrick's be linked with St John Vianney's has been sent to the Diocese. If it is accepted, it will be up to the Bishop if he wants to implement it. The Cluster of the 5 Parishes is still collaborating. They are working on a Cluster Wide Bulletin.

OLD BUSINESS

Pot O Gold raffle and dinner: As of last Sunday, 152 families have turned in their raffle tickets. The K.C.'s will also be purchasing some tickets. The committee has sold at varied locations this year for a total of 15 times. So far they have collected \$1989.00. More sales are set for 3/9/12. This will complete this year's cycle.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP</u>: Greg Bergenski, Mark Summerbell, and Pat Joyce have completed their term. Greg has agreed to stay 3 more years. Pat Joyce has agreed to stay 1 more year.

<u>Catholic Appeal</u>: We are given a goal of so much money that the Church has to submit. The question was asked if we have to make up the difference. We do not, the Diocese accepts what we can give.

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: May 1st, at 6:30 PM in the school auditorium.

Prayers for the next meeting: Opening: Jeff Spangler Closing Prayer: Art Clark

This report was respectfully submitted by Sharon Clark, Secretary.

ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO PARISH MEMBERS