

Minutes from Parish Council meeting February 22, 2010

APPROVED March 1, 2010 with revisions

Attendance: Deacon Chordas, Dave Douglas, Dennis Fiorelli, Mark Geyman, Father Ireland, Bob Mapel, & Pat Rahill

Submitted by: Dennis Fiorelli March 5, 2010

Meeting started with a prayer.

Father Ireland Pastor's report:

- Sal Miroglotta has informed Father that he has joined another Parish and has resigned from the Council. Father was thankful for Sal's many years of dedication to St Gregory the Great.
- There is a reconfiguration/merger committee and several sub committees working hard on uniting St Margaret Mary and St. Gregory on June 20, 2010.
- Father shared Sacred Heart of Jesus is a wonderful and appropriate name for our new Parish.
- Father cited precedence and unified identity as the reasons the Bishop elected to rename the school over the requests/letters from many including School Administration, School Advisory Board, and Endowment Committee to continue as St Gregory.
- Father is very open and seeking input as to colors, mascot, uniform, etc. Change will happen over time.
- Father suggested getting the two Councils together. The purpose is to review parish documents including, how to elect officers. Father suggested looking at the first Council and possibly start with three from each existing Council. Pat should contact Jack.
- Three exhibits were handed out to be reviewed for discussion at next meeting: A. How Can We Serve You; B. Survey of New Parishioners; and C. Parish Life Activities.

Pat Rahill report:

- No minutes to approve.
- Discussed getting together with St.MM. Need to plan for event after opening Mass.
- June 12 closing St.MM Mass. June 13 closing St Gregory Mass at 9am. June 20 opening Mass at St Gregory Church and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

Bob Mapel Parish Life report:

- Merged Parish Life Committee met three times. New committees proposed include a "welcome", "donut" and a "family fun". Activities around the merger include: 1. Lenten soup supper; 2. Opening celebration; and 3. Meet and greet new pastor.

- Knights of Columbus is close to the number required. We lost two and now need five members. Raffle ticket fundraiser for May 28, 2010 drawing. Tickets are \$5, first prize is \$49,680. Tickets will be sold after February 27/28 week end masses.

Deacon Chordas Respect for Life report:

- The group is active. The Washington trip went very well. The donut sale was a successful fundraiser. There was a low turnout for the “abortion day” event and would like to get many more people involved.
- Started paper recycling (we have a bin) and this will generate some money. Continue to collect food and clothing for distribution at St. Philomena’s for people in need including our own parishioners.

Dave Douglas report on Spiritual Life and Liturgy commissions:

Lenten activities include:

- 40 hours program held during Lent. One hour visits to Shaker Blvd. abortion clinic.
- Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7 pm with Benediction.
- Father Pacwa mission on Saturday March 13, 2010 9-3:30. Three talks in church and box lunch \$10.
- Adoration program – need TV camera for security.
- Familia still active.

Meeting ended with Father’s blessing.