

**St. Benedict Catholic Church**  
**Pastoral Council**  
**Minutes**

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Attendance: Ron Stark, Jim Buswell, David Dalton, Linda Gonzalez, Pedro Gonzalez, Joe Bauer, Fred Murillo, Deacon Lynn Sherman, Theresa Garnhart

- I. Opening Prayer: Led by Deacon Lynn Sherman
- II. Approval of minutes: October minutes were not available. They will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**Reports**

- III. Finance Report – Given by Joe Bauer. Receipts of \$7,228.78 and expenses of \$2,101.12. Check book balance of approximately \$31,000.00. We are seeing an increase in those giving with a check or envelopes and less loose change. All the ministries have been given information on their budgets and are updated when they have expenditures.
- IV. Liturgy: No report. There was a question about the processional cross and it's whereabouts.
- V. Facilities: There was a meeting with Fr. Paul, Jim Nakai and Deacon Lynn regarding the planning of the site once we get the property. Mr. Nakai suggested we make all proposals property of St. Benedict Parish, so we do not have to pay for them twice. We are also going to get our name on the Building and Planning Committee agenda for the Diocese so when we are ready we're on the schedule. Deacon Lynn presented a draft of the proposed 4 x 8 sign for the property.
- VI. Religious Education: No report.
- VII. Outreach: David Dalton gave report. At Thanksgiving, we had one donation of a meal that was bought from Share Colorado. We had enough supplies to help 2 families. We are attempting to get more names from the schools to help for Christmas. St. Benedict was the first to sign up for the Pajamas & Books program. We got good press on that as we were on the news. The baby shower netted 512 bottles of baby food and

other donations of clothing and baby items. They were delivered on Monday.

- X. Health Ministry: The flu shot clinic served 14 people.
- XI. Strategic Planning Progress: No report.

### **Old Business**

Calendars are in and will be made available starting this weekend with a can for free will donations.

### **New Business**

Advent starts December 2<sup>nd</sup>. December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. will be the time and date for our Christmas Mass. Thanksgiving breakfast will be brought up at the joint committees meeting.

**Parish Director's Report:** Deacon Lynn will be here for a year in 3 weeks. Please e-mail him with your evaluation of his performance. We need to have someone else other than Deacon Lynn available to take the Eucharist back to the parish house after Mass.

**Closing Prayer.** Deacon Lynn.

Meeting adjourned.