

St. Benedict's Catholic Church

Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes

April 14, 2009

Present: James E Buswell, Fred Murillo, Ron Stark, Doug Burrer, Theresa Garnhart, Deacon Lynn, Greg Tencer, David Dalton, Wayne Bachmeier, Mike Force, Mary Preston.

Meeting Started at: 7:10

Opening

Group Prayer led by Deacon Lynn

Introduction of new members and guests: Greg Tencer, Wayne Bachmeier. Minutes from March 2009 motion Ron Stark seconded by Jim Buswell , all in favor Approved.

Review of written reports:

Facilities:

Greg Tencer suggested term limits, like Pastoral Council members, for Ministry leaders. A motion was made by Jim Buswell, no second, motion was rejected.

Greg Tencer also reported that a new mic was needed for Mass, due to the two mics we now use interfere with each other. The cost of a new mic is \$400.00.

Health:

Blood Pressure tests will be held once a month after Hospitality on Sunday.

Outreach:

Eighteen Easter Baskets were handed out, four families were from District 49.

The Parish House now has two copiers. The cost of service for both copiers will be \$900.00 a year, or \$75.00 a month. Cost before was \$1800.00 a year for the one copier.

The Church picnic for 2009 was discussed, no date has been set. It was suggested That August or September would be the best months for the picnic.

Welcoming baskets for the year 2009 will cost \$170.00 to be paid in quarterly payments.

The Women's Group requested the \$9.00 that was left over after the \$35.00 was paid for the cafeteria rent be given to them to put in their fund.

All Members agreed we should have the Falcon Festival again this year, cost to rent booth area is \$60.00.

The Matthew – 25 project business plan was presented by Mike Force. The project is projected to run for six weeks from July 28th – Sept 5th. The Matthew – 25 project is a fund raising project sponsored by the St. Benedict's Parish Council to raise capital dollars for the parish building fund. The basic plan with this fund raising project is to give each family a designated sum of money, allow them to multiply this money through the use of their hard work, creativity, and the talents that God gave them and then return it to the Church in a greater amount than what was originally given to them. The proceeds will go directly into the Building Fund for our new church. Also a good idea was to put the Talent progress on the St. Benedicts web site.

Review of the Growing an Engaged Church book reports will be discussed at the May Pastoral Council meeting.

Because of the limited availability of Priest's, a plan was decided that one priest could serve Mass at both churches, St. Benedicts and St. Michaels in Calhan if the times were changed for both churches. The new time for St. Benedicts Sunday Mass will be at 8:30 am starting June 14th 2009.

A meeting with Diocese officials about the future of St. Benedicts and plans to build on the Judge Orr Road property will be held on Thursday April 16th at 2:00. The Building Committee will be presenting building concept drawings to the parish for input, comments and ideas to help planning.

Mike Force and Mary Preston will not be present for the June 9th meeting. Ron Stark will not be present for both the June and the July meetings. It was voted to change the date to either the week before or the week after. 3 members voted to change the date, 4 members voted to keep it on the 9th of June.

Deacon Lynn suggested outdoor Stations of the Cross be placed on the Judge Orr property. Facilities to determine location for the placement of the Stations of the Cross so as not to interfere with the building site.

Closing Prayer: Led by Deacon Lynn at 10:12