

Minutes of St. Jerome Pastoral Council Meeting of 11/9/2009

In attendance: Father Dave, Father Joe, Florence Loch, Kevin Smyth, Regina Flaherty, Dick Maiberger, Tom Rietano, Tom Wagner, Greg Vetter, Bob DeSimone, Moira Barber, Pat Olsen, and Beth Olsen.

Greg Vetter led the council in prayer. Minutes from the 10/19/09 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

St. Jerome 50th Anniversary: Florence Loch reported that the dinner dance held on November 7, 2009 was attended by almost 100 people. There was "great spirit" and the year-long anniversary events are "off to a good start."

Pancake Breakfast: November 22, 2009 is the date for the Pancake Breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. There will be a short meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to go over details. Tickets will be sold at the Masses next weekend, November 14 and 15.

The next pancake breakfast will be in February and will be combined with "St. Jerome's Got Talent" which will highlight our parishioners art work, photography, poetry, etc.

Family Day: November 29, 2009 will be Family Day after 9:15 Mass. Sr. Agnes and Sheila Rietano will be making advent wreaths and advent calendars with the children.

Young Adult Night: Possible social event held over the Christmas break inviting former TOTAL members and TOTAL team members.

Ski Trip: Greg, Tom and Beth are working on this possible event gathering details regarding pricing, transportation, etc.

Building and Grounds: We discussed the idea again of moving the clothing bin from the front of the parking lot to a less visible spot. The idea is not to eliminate the bin.

Pastor's Report: Father Dave presented the second part of the Congregational Life Study. The results highlight two areas that are strengths for St. Jerome's. They are our Youth Programs and our Social Outreach. We viewed the video and discussion followed. The discussion centered on the fact we need to build on our strengths and work on areas of weakness. This will be an ongoing process over the next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Note the December Council meeting was cancelled, so the next meeting is January 11, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,
Moira Barber, Pastoral Council Secretary