

## Minutes of St. Jerome Pastoral Council Meeting of 5/11/09

**In Attendance:** Father Dave, Bob DeSimone, Florence Loch, Claire Budnik, Kevin Smyth, John Turchick, Pat Olson, Beth Olson, Tom Wagner, John Wagner, Moira Barber and Rich Vicenzi.

Kevin Smyth led the council in prayer. Minutes from the April 20th meeting were reviewed and accepted.

### Pastor's Report:

**Congregational Life Study:** 400 survey responses were submitted and a parish profile will be compiled later this year.

**Annual Bishops Appeal:** Currently, our parish is at 97% of our \$70K goal and in first place within the diocese.

**Guatemala Trip:** Five people including Father Dave will be taking the July trip to the Education and Hope ministry in action.

**Financial Audit:** We recently had our 2<sup>nd</sup> official audit. While the parish is still working on creating a perfect accounting system, overall we are in compliance with what the diocese has asked us to do.

**Americares #3:** On May 2, an excellent turnout of parishioners tackled our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual project and assisted with painting and minor repair work at the home of a parishioner. She is very appreciative of the efforts and results.

### Upcoming Parish Events:

- **Council Elections:** Tom Wagner reported on the election status. 14 parishioners accepted nominations and their resumes are posted on the bulletin board. 58 ballots were collected after May 9/10 Masses. Final ballots will be collected weekend of May 16/17. Newly elected council members will receive a special blessing at the May 30/31 Masses and attend their first meeting on June 8.
- **5/31/09 Hospitality Sunday:** Representatives from the various parish ministries will be on hand to greet parishioners. Sign up sheets to recruit additional volunteers will be provided. Coffee and donuts will be served after the morning Masses and ice cream will be served after the 6 PM Mass.
- **6/13/09 Car Raffle:** This year the raffle is being held at All Saints School. Festivities begin at 6:00 pm. A buffet dinner will be served and musical entertainment will also be provided. Tickets are on sale at all Masses through Sunday, June 7th and also through the parish office.
- **Early June:** Informal supper to welcome back our college students. Date to be determined depending on general interest.
- **St. Jerome 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** The first planning meeting will take place in June and is open to all interested parishioners. The jubilee will start with the 2009 St. Jerome festival, continue throughout the year with various activities/events and conclude with the 2010 festival.

The next council meeting will be held on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Father Dave led the council in closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Claire Budnik  
Council Secretary