

MINUTES
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
February 1, 2007

The Parish Pastoral Council of the Holy Family Parish met on February 1, 2007 in the church hall at 7:00 PM.

Present: Father Driscoll, Howard Gotell, John Kellegrew, Darlene White, Veronica Richards, Gerry Hallee, Jeanne Bourque, Celina White and Peter Vriend.

Regrets: Adrien Amirault, Edna Walsh, Gerald Cormier, David LeFurgey, Sharon Fairfax, Lillian Bray, Sister Teresa Currie, Jim MacDonald

John Kellegrew, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Father informed that Sharon Murphy had resigned from Parish Council as well as other committees she was involved with.

Father led us in prayer with Sunday's readings and asked members to comment on these readings. The minutes of the last meeting were circulated.

Jeanne presented a letter she had written with suggestions and thoughts she had regarding the role of Parish Council. This was distributed to members present and will be mailed to others. It is hoped members will review this and discuss at the next meeting.

Father then presented the Pastor's Report (copy enclosed). This was followed by a video presentation on Steubenville Atlantic being held this year at St. Francis Xavier University August 3-5. It is hoped that a number of the youth will attend from our parish.

Peter Vriend presented the Parish Management report (copy enclosed), and made note that there will be a public meeting for parishioners in March. This will be an open meeting where questions can be presented and answered.

Jeanne questioned if anyone has been asked to look after the maintenance of the present structure. This is ongoing at present.

Gerry Hallee asked if there was a Chairperson yet for the Fundraising Committee. There is no one at present, but this hoped to be in place by April/May.

Father also noted that in planning the new church, it is important to balance financing and cost with the aesthetics of the new structure.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Father then presented information on two planned Parish Council Workshops. These are to be held on February 24 and March 24 from 9am to noon. These will be held in the church hall and all Parish Council members are asked to attend. These workshops are also open to any interested parish members

Howard informed that the Parish Life Committee was planning two events. Newfie night on February 9, and a coffee house hopefully to be on St. Patrick's Day.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm. The date of the next meeting is March 1, 2007 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Celina White
Acting Secretary