



## PAC Meeting Minutes February 19, 2009

The PAC meeting on February 19, 2009 was called to order by Jim Polk at 7:30 pm. Msgr. Pennington began the meeting with a prayer, followed by a reading of John 16:1-16 by Mary Petrizzo. The group shared reflections on the reading.

Msgr. Pennington introduced the new Archdiocesan program for Lent which encourages all Catholics to accept responsibility for inviting lapsed Catholics to come back to church. There is an invitation card from the Archbishop to give to anyone whom you might invite back. The "Light Is On" Program will not take place.

A change to the last sentence of the January minutes was suggested. The minutes from the previous meeting were moved for approval by Dan Campion, and seconded by Mary Beth Newkumet.

1 – A discussion concerning the communication of the activities of the Pastor's Advisory Council ensued. The result was a suggestion to post the PAC Minutes on the Parish Website.

2 - Cathy Ellis circulated copies of the Draft of the Pastoral Plan. Members are asked to consider if the document captures the input given thus far. Are any main thoughts missing? Suggestions given immediately were made note of by Cathy. There was request for major clarification with Goal #3 in Spirituality Goals, as the general consensus appeared to be that the main points of these strategies are or should be integrated into the other goals and not a separate goal. Any additional comments or suggestions are to be given to Jim or Cathy.

3 – Jim Polk provided copies of the second draft of the Parish Survey and requested that PAC members review and pass any further comments on to Denise Culkin. It is hoped that the survey will go out after Easter and that the Town meeting will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> of May.

4 - It was suggested that the Lenten booklet be put on the Parish Web site.

5 – Dan Redmond announced the membership of the sub-committee on Liturgy Committee: Beth Thomas, John Poletto, and Carla Haywood. Advisors are Michael White, Cathy Ellis, and Sr. Roberta. Dan and Sr. Roberta are taking a Liturgy Course at EPS at Trinity College. Dan presented a paper on the progress of the committee.

6 – Tom Kane presented a report on fund-raising coordination and an update of ministry leaders was circulated.

7 – There was no Financial Committee Report, but Msgr. Pennington reported that bills currently are paid up to date.

8 – Jim Polk reminded everyone of the schedule for PAC elections with nominations coming before Easter and the election taking place after Easter.

Msgr. Pennington said a closing prayer and the meeting adjourned at 9:50pm

Respectfully submitted,

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