

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES – Aug. 9, 2016

Members Present: Deb Cuddy, Matthew Mittelstaedt, Ryan Siegel, Anne Wend, Mary White, Charmaine Owens, and Fr. Hyland.

Opening Faith Reflection offered by Anne Wend.

Fr. Hyland's Report:

- Fr. Hyland has found the parish to be welcoming. He looks forward to working with us to grow in holiness, grow closer to Christ, and become better disciples of Christ.

Charmaine's Report:

- Registration for Religious Education has begun. There is still a need for catechists. The scheduled is on the website. The kick off Pancake Party is scheduled for September 11 following the 8:30 am Mass.
- Bulletin notices have been placed for RCIA.
- Seven people are interested in EPIC. The dates will be scheduled. Charmaine is looking at some Adult Education programs for Tuesday morning.
- Charmaine is reviewing some small groups for Lent.
- The Bazaar is set for November 5, and all the booths have sold out.

Youth Report: No report

Old Business:

- The Jubilee Year of Mercy assignments for September, October, and November were reviewed.
- Summer Celebration
 - ... The number of people who attended was slightly down from last year.
 - ... Discussed the timing between the Baker's Auction tables. Plans are being made to shorten the time.
 - ... Overall, everyone had a good time, and the money raised was put towards the work to update the rectory.
- Cookbook
 - ... Discussed plan to take pre-sales to cover the cost of the printers.
 - ... Goal is to have the books available by November 5.

New Business

- Advent Mission– Fr. Hyland will follow up.
- Charmaine reported that on September 7, Chris Stefanick will be speaking at St. Matthew Parish in Champaign and provided information for those who would like to attend.

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New Business Continued

- Parish policies
 - ... Looked at wedding policies.
 - ... Discussed need for clear policies so couples know what to expect.
 - ... Discussed possibility of having a packet to hand out and establishing a wedding ministry to help couples choose appropriate music and readings.
 - ... Will follow up at next meeting.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Hyland

Faith Reflection Assignment: Matthew Mittelstaedt

Next meeting: September 13 @ 7:00 pm in the LL