

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
St. Francis of Assisi
September 9, 2009

President Larry Harper opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:30 P.M. Members attending were: Father Dan, Larry Harper, Tom Robben, Lori Dall, Lisa Strieker, Brian Beckmann, Diane Wellen, Kevin Litteken, Steve AuBuchon, Frank Dall (Trustee), and Tom Huelsmann (Trustee).

The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Tom Robben and Diane Wellen reported on the success of the Welcome BBQ in June. Ideas for the Second Annual Welcome BBQ were discussed. It was suggested to follow up invitations with a personal phone call and try to host it during October instead of the busy summer months. Tom Robben and Diane Wellen agreed to chair this event for next year, and our goal is to have a date scheduled for next year's event by the end of 2009.

In trying to promote the web page, another contest is planned. Brian Beckmann will talk to the Knights of Columbus to see if we could give two free breakfast certificates to the winner. The goal is to get more people to use the website, and to use it more frequently.

Lori Dall is working on the next Unsung Hero recognition. A notice will be put in the bulletin for other nominations.

Steve AuBuchon and Kevin Litteken reported on the Cluster Meeting. Several changes are still in progress for the by-laws. The most important change will be that Cluster members will serve three year terms, and that each parish will have three members in the Cluster. The outdoor Cluster Mass at St. Rose on August 12 was well attended. The next meeting will be October 22 at St. Anthony's, Beckemeyer at 7:30 P.M.

Nominations for new Pastoral Council Members will be in October. This will allow more time for contacting nominees for approval to be on the ballot and for creating the ballot. Elections are held the first full weekend in December.

An RCIA Reunion is being held at the home of Steve and Mary AuBuchon on September 27. Anyone who has gone through RCIA is encouraged to attend.

We are currently in the Jubilee Year of the Priest. A brief introduction and a prayer of vocations is planned for the start of each Mass.

Father Dan expressed an interest in creating a Parish Calendar with project statements for St. Francis. This would help organize certain events and get more people throughout the parish involved to help.

The next meeting will be October 14, 2009 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Strieker, Secretary