

MEETING OF THE IHM PASTORAL COUNCIL

April 28, 2009

7:30 p.m. – Church Basement

In attendance: Msgr. Sean Cunneen, Fr. Tony Kuizon, Jeanne Cleary, Louise Timko, Carol Rizzo, Peter Nizner, John Abreu, Kathy Mitchell, Tracey Foley, John Ponterio, Maritza Franco, Margaret Lewis, Rich Banasiak

1. Opening prayer/sharing – Louise Timko – Clement of Alexandria – What is a Christian life? What is holiness?
2. Maintenance Update – Msgr. Sean – proposed new projects:
 - an elevator to the Church Basement
 - increase handicapped parking in front of Church – this may involve adjustments to the sprinkler system
 - Parish Directory – brochure listing all parish ministries – outreach to new parishioners
 - Sr. Maureen leaving the parish; a parishioner will become P/T director of adult catechesis; possibly leaving funds for a P/T youth minister for middle-schoolers
3. Finance Committee Update – Tracey Foley
 - Maintenance Collection - \$70,731 collected so far; \$78,800 spent on heat, kneeler restoration, Church carpeting
 - Easter Collection – exceeded budgeted number
 - Weekly collection should make budgeted figure
 - 09-10 budget submitted to Archdiocese
4. Council Members – add 2 more members from Service Committee, since New Energies (Jeanne and John Abreu) has moved from to Evangelization?
 - Consensus is that all current members stay with Council
 - Service Committee to meet after Parish Picnic meeting; they should decide who new members should be
 - Invite new members to June Parish Council meeting
5. Discussion of establishing Parish Goals and Objectives
 - p. 111 – helpful hints for writing goals

Strengthen the parish community by increasing participation during liturgy and in our ministries

Objectives:

- Address the communication of what we're already doing well/invite others to get involved
 - Educate parents through children – example: family retreat
6. Pastoral Council Annual Report to Parish – June 13-14 – bulletin insert (due June 5) plus brief pulpit speech
 7. Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 26, 2009 – Rich Banasiak to lead sharing.