

MINUTES OF THE IHM PASTORAL COUNCIL

October 19, 2010 7:30PM

In attendance: Fr. Sean, John Ponterio, John Abreu, Louise Timko, Caroline Ponterio, Tracey Foley, Rich Banasiak, Carol Rizzo

1. Opening prayer / sharing – Rich Banasiak – the Rosary
2. Finance Committee Update – 2009-2010 report – report will be published in bulletin, along with Donard's narrative, soon -- \$40,239 deficit reflects maintenance & repairs, including new Church boiler, front paving, electrical, etc. Revenue was down 2% from previous year, due to poor economy. All in all, we are blessed.
3. Ground & Building Maintenance group – will update us next month
4. Review of current goal/objectives
 - a. Goal – strengthen the parish community by increasing participation in the weekend liturgies and in our ministries.
 - b. Objectives:
 - i. Booklet of parish ministries – incorporated into parish directory
 1. Update – Caroline Ponterio – 12 pages being organized by 3 clusters plus Youth groups, activities (such as fiesta)
 - ii. New parish directory – ongoing – Tracey – over 300 appointments to date; getting close to our goal of 400
 - iii. Fellowship Sunday
 1. October – Worship Committee for recruitment theme
 2. November – EOMs will host -- we will continue Noon fellowship
5. New Goal – education theme – continued discussion
 - a. Revised Goal: **To provide catechetical and fellowship opportunities for families with young children on a continual basis**
Please reflect on this goal as we will continue to work on it at our November meeting.
 - b. Proposed Objectives:
 - i. Family retreat will run again in Lent 2011 – families who participated in 2010 will get involved via survey suggestions
 1. Middle school track to be discussed
 2. Social activities – i.e., spaghetti supper
 3. Cornerstone model – inviting peers
 - ii. Family catechesis- begin with pre-schoolers, follow through as children grow older
 1. New ministry – mother/child music program Making Music Praying Twice– Katie Wills – possible start December 2010 / January 2011

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6. Next meeting – Tuesday, November 30 – Fr. Sean will lead sharing