

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL COUNCIL

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September 9 2009

Opening Prayer: Paul Leblond

Minutes for August meeting accepted

Finance report: Collections for August were down \$7000. Fr Lafontaine said that the last collection seemed to be on track.

Facilities Update: We continue with painting projects. The parking lot is most likely on hold until Spring.

Parish Picnic: Janet Burns reported it was a success although some people arrived early and began eating. We had just enough food to serve!

As an aside Janet mentioned that she along with some volunteers used the Parish census list to contact people about the Picnic and in the process we were able to update the census.

Religious Ed: Paul reported that there were thirteen registrations (7 returning and 6 new) Cost of Rel. ED is \$40/child, \$50/2children/\$55/3or more. Fr Lafontaine mentioned that Jolene Marsters will be leading the Youth Ministry. He also mentioned that Confirmation/Communion will be May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Other:

The Haiti school project was a success with many school items collected. Thank you to Tina and Mary Elizabeth.

Fr Lafontaine announced the 3 Parish cluster committee has begun meeting. Our members are Bob Smith and Barbara Willey.

Paul proposed that we order bookmarks that could be distributed at Mass that highlight Mass times & Confessions. Everyone agreed. Fr Lafontaine added that we have also purchased refrigerator magnets with church info.

Pastoral Council Nomination Update: We had a good response of people nominated. We chose according to number of nominations for each person. We plan to add 7 members. The goal is to vote weekend of Sept 19-20.

Election of Council Officers: Elections to place by secret ballot. Chairperson: Elizabeth Foley; Vice Chair: Bob Smith; Secretary: Sharon Noyes

The first meeting for the Fall Bazaar will be Sept 15<sup>th</sup> . The Bazaar is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> .

Meeting closed with a prayer.

Respectfully,

Sharon Noyes