

**Minutes St. Pius X Pastoral Council Meeting
December 2, 2009**

Attendees: Jean Landry, James King, Joan Beal, Jim Lafontaine, Tony Doman, Laurie Pietroski, Andy Litcher, Sandy Litcher, Jean Leonard, , Jim Katsiaficas, Mary Gordon, Theresa Cornell, Mary Elizabeth Foley, Jesse Senore,

Absent: , Bob O'Brien, Joe Desimone

Opening Prayer: next meeting will be Mary

Minutes from November meeting- accepted

Finance- -

- Adding the extra monthly collection has helped give the parish a cushion for the winter fuel bill.

Building(s)/Maintenance – (Andy)

- Back two rooms of the hall still need to be insulated in the ceiling.
- Still waiting for metal door for hall repair to come in. Has been ordered.

Religious Education-(Sandy Litcher)

- 9 families participated in the Advent Wreath project. Fr. Lafontaine blessed the wreaths.
- Christina McClusky will be organizing the children's Christmas pageant this year. Many volunteers to help her.
- First Reconciliation is this Saturday
- Thanksgiving cards were made by the children and sent to local 'shut-ins'. Christmas cards will also be done.

Spiritual Enhancement:

- No response from St. Pat's council to Tina's invite to be small group leaders. She will give it one more try. Mary will send out letters to last years leaders to invite them to return. Request will go out after the first of the year.
- It was decided that we will create a list of ministries that parishioners could serve and post them on the board at church suppers and on the church bulletin board. Contact names and numbers included. Tony also suggested having pen and paper with you when you personally invite people to serve at a specific ministry so you can get their name and contact info in order to follow up. Personal invite works best!
- Giving Tree is up and going-very positive response.
- K of C Breakfast w/ Santa 12/20 (home fries please). Santa due to arrive approx. 10:15AM
- Pork Pie Supper 12/12. Clean up help needed. Youth Ministry looking for ways to help parish-will call about supper help.
- Church Mass times refrigerator magnets will be given out the weekend of 12/20. Council members help give them out after Mass (ushers have their hands full with bulletins).

Fundraising-

- Regular 50/50 will take place at church suppers. More tickets need to be purchased.
- Wreath sale did well. Quality improved from last years order.
- Clynk brought in \$176 for November!

Old Business-

- Jesse needs to have his council picture taken.
- Tony encouraged people to step up and help with Habitat for Humanity walk/ Interfaith build
- Tony & Mary S. still working on Mystery Night fundraiser

Other Business

- The **Cluster committee** will have a member attend pastoral council meeting in January at both churches.
- Town hall cluster meeting for all at St. Pius on 1/24 at 2PM. Refreshments in hall following meeting.
- St. Brigid's has a bulletin board display at each church.
- A representative from the school to come speak at Mass for Catholic Schools week (second collection) in February
- Annual appeal sent out from St. Brigids

Request-Please take some time to reflect on the timing of passing out the bulletins at church-before or after Mass

Closing Prayer- next meeting will be Sandy

Next meeting- *Thursday, January 7, 2010 with guest- cluster committee member(s)*

Respectfully submitted by: Mary Gordon 12/11/09