

Mission Statement: Our Lady of the Holy Souls Parish is a family of believers seeking to know, love and serve God as a faith community. To celebrate the presence of Christ among us, we will enhance the community atmosphere of our parish and develop stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.

***Minutes of the Meeting of the Pastoral Council of
Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church
Tuesday, July 13, 2010***

The Pastoral Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Doug Menz, President. The meeting opened with prayer. Shelley Tienken, new Business Manager for Holy Souls, was introduced. Doug welcomed other guests.

Members present: Father Erik Pohlmeier, Carol Lantz, Sherry Nehus, Susanne Stabnick, Mary Bea Hiegel, Rose Nabholz, Ruth Keogh, Robert Magri, Margaret Zakrzewski, Barbara Grafe.

Members absent: Kim Gillum, Frank Kremers, Sean Eichelmann, Chris Gunderman, George O'Connor.

Approval of the Minutes: Minutes of the May 11, 2010 meeting were approved.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance & Administration:

Shelley Tienken reported for the Finance Committee. Shelley said "The Statement of Operating Activities" (attached) reflected that weekly collections exceeded budgeted and prior year amounts by approximately 1.5% or \$20,000.

Capital Campaign:

The Capital Campaign recorded contributions of \$701,778 for the fiscal year. The investment income totaled \$5,278.

Building and Grounds:

Mary Carman reported for the Building and Grounds Committee. Mary said that a water leakage problem located under the Parish Hall is in the process of being repaired. In addition, there are several water leakage problems at the school which are also being addressed. The playground is in the process of being redone. The Parish Hall roof has been replaced. The plans for renovation of the Benedict House are being reviewed.

Education and Formation Commission:

Ruth Keogh reported for the Education and Formation Commission. Mr. Cliff Yeary will be the speaker for the "Summer Speak" being presented on August 4th, 7:00 p.m., Parish Hall. Mr. Yeary will discuss the Catholic understanding of the Rapture entitled, "Will the Rapture Leave You Behind?" The discussion will be followed by an ice cream social. Ruth mentioned that PRE teachers are still needed.

Liturgy Commission:

Father Erik reported for the Liturgy Commission (minutes of June 2, 2010 are attached). Among the issues discussed, Father Erik mentioned the possibility of engaging Father Dennis Robinson, OSB, President and Rector of St. Meinrad Seminary (who spoke at Father Robbins first Mass), for our parish mission held during Lent. Possible mission dates would be during the second or third weekend of Lent. Other possibilities would be beginning the mission on a Friday (perhaps after a Fish Fry or Stations of the Cross), followed by a social gathering and then continuing on into a Saturday, ending with Mass.

Parish Life Commission:

Carol Lantz reported for the Parish Life Commission. She said that the parish picnic is scheduled to be held on October 10th, 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Allsopp Park.

Social Concerns Commission:

Doug Menz reported for the Social Concerns Commission. Doug said that three organizations were helped with food collected during Corpus Christi. Those organizations are Our House, Helping Hand, and Food Bank. Doug said that Darlene Hebda will take the place of Dwain Hebda on the Social Concerns Commission.

Vocations Committee:

Robert Magri reported for the Vocations Committee. Robert said that the members are planning to meet on July 19th. Robert said that, at this meeting, one of the items discussed will be the possibility of getting guest speakers for CYM. In addition, Robert said that the members are planning on getting more materials (booklets, handouts, etc) on vocations and particularly, materials for Holy Souls Library.

Old Business:

No old business discussed.

New Business:

The Ministry Workshop is scheduled for August 24th. Times for the different ministers will be staggered to accommodate those who serve in more than one ministry. A Leadership Conference will be held on August 21st, scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. and lasting until approximately 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Pastoral Comments:

Father Erik discussed the Deanery Meeting held at Holy Souls on June 10th. Father Erik reported that there are two parts to the next step with the five year plan. One part is to report it to the diocese and then work with other parishes to create a deanery plan. The other part is to communicate the Holy Souls plan to members of our own parish. The first part of this plan will happen at deanery meetings with the other parishes. The second part is being developed by our own stewardship committee. The upcoming Leadership Conference will address this question and start getting people to consider the question, "Am I living a genuine Catholic life?" Eventually, we will present these ideas during a series of Sunday homilies.

The **next meeting** is Tuesday, August 17, 2010, 6:00 p.m. The meeting concluded with the Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila and adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna de Noble
Recording Secretary