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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Pastoral Council of
Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church
1003 North Tyler Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205
May 8, 2012**

The Pastoral Council meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Susanne Stabnick, President. The meeting opened with prayer.

Members present: Father Erik Pohlmeier, Father Dhanraj Narla, Paula Wellborn, Jan Britt, Donna Bressinck, Robert Magri, Steve Hoffman, Darlene Hebda, Paul Mammarelli, Rose Nabholz

Members absent: Laura Hathaway, Margaret Zakrzewski, Kenny Gunderman

Approval of the Minutes: Minutes of the April 3, 2012 meeting were approved.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance & Administration:

George O'Connor reported for the Finance Committee (report attached). He said that for the ten months ended April, 2012, the parish is behind \$47,000 in collections. With the decrease in collections, spending is being closely monitored and currently running \$15,000 ahead of budget. The 2012-13 budget will be presented at the June 19th Parish Council meeting.

Building and Grounds:

Mary Carman reported for the Building and Grounds Committee. Mary mentioned that approximately \$40,000 is being used to repair the damage done in the Parish Hall as a result of water leakage.

Education and Formation Commission:

Robert Magri reported that the Education and Formation Commission did not meet. Steve Hoffman did mention that the DVD presentation, "The Mass and the Eucharist" was successfully attended by approximately 100 people.

Liturgy Commission:

Rose Nabholz reported that the Liturgy Commission did not meet.

Parish Life Commission:

Susanne Stabnick reported that the Parish Life Commission did not meet. However, Susanne mentioned that the Altar Servers Luncheon will be held on May 20th, 11:00 a.m., in the Parish Hall. The Blood Drive will be held on July 1st. In closing, Susanne said that appointments are being scheduled for having pictures taken for the Pictorial Directory.

Social Concerns Commission:

Darlene Hebda reported that the Social Concerns Commission did not meet. However, Darlene said at their next meeting the Commission members will review the grant applications received and they will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on June 19th.

Vocations Committee:

Robert Magri reported for the Vocations Committee (minutes of May 8, 2012 attached). Among the items discussed: 1) hosting a Vocations Activity Discernment Night after a 5:30 p.m. Mass for college age parishioners; and 2) Jacob Hopkins, CYM representative, has been assigned the role of obtaining information about college age parishioners through directories and any information that the Parish Office has regarding this search.

Jacob Hopkins reported CYM activities. Jacob said that Mission Trip is scheduled for June 21st through June 26th. CYM participants will stay in McGehee, Arkansas, and their project will be to paint a Jewish tempt on the historic registry. For current 7th graders, there are service options available (as a group) at Helping Hand this summer.

Old Business:

Susanne said that the new Vice President for Parish Council is Laura Hathaway.

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New Business:

Laura Humphries discussed the Pastoral Plan. Updates are forthcoming. She mentioned that information regarding upcoming Corpus Christi needs to be discussed and advertized as soon as possible. Also, Social Concerns needs to review their goals. Father Erik mentioned that goals/tasks are not meant to be deleted but rather noted "decided not to pursue at this time".

Pastoral Comments:

Father Erik stated the importance of members attending the June 19th Parish Council meeting as the 2012-13 budget will be discussed as well as grant applications received from Social Concerns.

In addition, Father Erik mentioned the upcoming ordination of new priests at Christ The King on May 26th, beginning at 10:00 a.m. This will be an "open invitation".

The Funeral Mass for Father Daniel Eakin will be held on Friday, May 11th, 1:15 p.m. at Holy Souls. Father Eakin will be laid to rest in Holy Souls Columbarium.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned 6:37 pm.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on June 19th 6:00 p.m., Parish Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna de Noble
Recording Secretary
attachments