

Pastoral Council Minutes
9/20/10
Parish Hall
5:06-5:55 PM

Attendees: Jim Purcell (Chair), Fr. Jerry Ragan, Katie Connor, Harmony Prestifilippo, Steve Givens, Ken Maleck, Rhee Fincher

Excused: Lisa Murray, Mike Hamilton, Eric McArdle

The meeting opened with prayer at 5:06 PM.

Gartland Award 2010 recipients will be Dick Pogue and Vicky Barnett; both were humbled by the recognition.

Principal search: Jim talked with Sr. Rose Mary who will post the ad on the NCEA and diocesan website. Committee will include Gene McManus, Ruth Ann Vericella, Steve Givens, and Rhee Fincher.

Stewardship renewal night will be October 13, 2010; pastoral council members encouraged to attend. Steve requested, receive, and will follow up on suggestions for lay witness speakers.

Habitat House is progressing well. Closing expected in December; shingling roof this weekend. Facebook page has been well received (stmaryonhillhabitatouse)

Roman Missal changes will be implemented during advent 2011; Fr. Jerry asked for Pastoral Council members' understanding of the changes, which will be more faithful to the Latin text.

Catholics Come Home: Mike Hamilton reported on the workshop, emphasizing the importance of hospitality for those who respond to the television ads that will begin in December. Ken will host a "round table" to help prepare for the program. Advertising will include a Catholics Come Home facebook page, television ads, and cards in pews.

Summer reading: Fr. Jerry will resend the readings to the Pastoral Council for discussion at the next meeting.

Other business: Fr. Jerry attended a meeting about a Christian adoption group, based in Macon, that would like to begin a local chapter in Augusta. Twenty-four of 30 attendees were from SMOTH. Most Holy Trinity cannot pay its deanery or diocesan assessment, which will impact school (Immaculate Conception) and other commitments.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhee Fincher