

**Saint Francis Xavier Pastoral Council Minutes
27 November 2006
Carbondale, IL 62901**

In Attendance: Bob Bauman, Laura Butler, Margie Mitchell, Father Bob Flannery, Chuck Grace, Sister Rosemary Henrichs, Tonì Intravaia, Laura Kidd, Ana Migone, Paul McGreal, Steve Schawacker, Ed Varsa, Doris Weaver

Excused: Leslie Ferraro

Absent: Jane Boardman, Juliana Cruz, Julie Lacynski

Prayer/Reflection: Father opened the meeting (after AB presentation) at 7:35 with a reading from the Gospel for first Sunday of Advent/Luke. Reflection on the reading followed.

Call to Order/Roll Call:

Visitors: Andy Bjornberg, Chair of the Capital Campaign: Report; gave an update on what the committee has been doing: (1) Renovation and Organ Costs; (2) Tiers for the Campaign. Items will be done as the giving comes in. Discussion followed, re, organ, water repairs for KC room/kitchen

Schedule: plan to start with first tier, then continue on with the second tier, etc.

10 to 12 minute video presentation for parishioners. Shooting at the 10:00 Mass, talking to parishioners, done by end of December; recruiting for steering committee; also need calling committee chairs for general info receptions; video and printed materials; recruit calls in middle of December to help with receptions, etc; after 1st of year, training for phone callers; second half of January for receptions/video presentation; Feb: two commitment Sundays with a pledge card (children's commitment Sunday, then adult commitment), then volunteer recruitment for followup phone calls; March should be done and then keeps going.

Discussion: can raise half, then borrow the rest; receptions/calling people—can pick any reception to come to (7:10-7:35)

Approval of October Minutes: Forgot to mention Steve as absent. Mass on December 23 not the 30th; approval with corrections: Paul, Father Bob

OLD BUSINESS

A. Capital Campaign: See Andy's presentation above

B. Parish Website: Can go directly to Suzanne (LK to send to Margie the address)

C. Kneelers and Hassocks in Church: Funding: Been installed; look good; asked for donation (\$1080 so far)

D. Good Samaritan Representative: Pat Elsaid volunteered

E. Lights Fantastic Float: Sister Rosemary: Nancy Konacek said that she might get her husband; they were going to try Chuck, but no one called; David is looking at it; second graders will be on float.

G. Finish Goals:

COMMITTEES AND REPORTS

A. Heritage Club:

B. Liturgy: All Souls' Day, Thanksgiving, Advent Wreaths, Christmas and New Year's Masses

C. Women's Club: M. Mitchell reported : Cookie Walk on the 16th

D. Knights of Columbus: Ed: this week is a blood drive with chili for the donors, Tues the 5th

E. Family Life/Respect Life/Vocations:

F. Community Life—Health Committee: D. Weaver: still looking for some members

G. Finance Council: End of the Year Report at the Masses; will be meeting again

H. Faith Formation: T. Intravaia: front page of Messenger (Michael Wagner and Scott Nadoski); great test reports for the 8th grade

I. Buildings and Grounds:

J. Youth Representatives:

K. Saint Andrews A. Migone: speech team did great job (blue ribbons)

L. Social Justice: trying to get a committee started with Elsie

M. Organ: still need committee members

N. Stewardship Committee: meet on Tuesdays at noon; not doing treasure thing because of the capital campaign.

O. Cluster Council: meeting up

NEW BUSINESS

A. Cluster Council Agenda Items: Mardi Gras Mass at Newman. Rotating each year

Cluster Mission: 6 October 2007; December 20 meeting

CSS: each parishes to buy a table in the South Deanery; at Herrin Civic Center; need to put info in the bulletin

Need a new accompanist in January 2007.

Patronal Feast Day: 500th birthday of SFX (April 7th); Coffee and cake for this Sunday; special cake

Chuck: Feb 15-18: Men's Cursillo weekend: put it in the bulletin and the website
Women's Weekend follows that on the 22 and the 25th

Gualadalope: Ana Migone: planning for cleaning the church and the hall; someone to come and invite people at SFX Mass; food; Bishop will be there; December 12 at 7:00 PM

Pastoral Associate' Report: Sister: Rite of Welcome went very well; very enthused and happy to be in the RCIA

Youth giving gifts at TIS; Barb and Chuck are organizing TIS to December 10 at SA; Feb at Newman Center; April at Bleyer Lodge; one more planning meeting tomorrow

Pastor's Report:

Penance Service: SFX 12/5; 12/6 at Newman; 12/13 at SA: 7:00 PM

Next Agenda Items:

- >Continue with the Goal Planning Grid.
- >Discuss Bishop's Letter

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be at Xavier Hall, on Monday, January 22, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

Prayer and Adjournment: Steve and Margie adjourned Father Bob led the closing prayer. The meeting closed at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Laura K. Kidd

ATTACHMENT A
PSR Report, Toní Intravaia, October 23, 2006

Registration is still going on in the PSR program. Saturday I received three from the Teens in Spirit Group. And yesterday we had two new boys come in for first grade and kindergarten.

Saturday we had our first TIS program in Herrin with NET group—Hearts on Fire—25 of our Youth were in attendance. It was an awesome day for them. The group was for Youth and with Youth. You could have heard a pin drop. And for us on the team it was inspirational. Last night Sister Rosemary and I did the first two-hour makeup for ten for ten of the group that could not attend because of school activities. Our other part of the makeup will be November 12.

The first of our Adult Study Group met with David Ebenhoh on the Bishop's Pastoral Letter. The next two meetings carried on with the Pastoral Letter. Then we had our monthly Catechist meeting. So we will now continue with the Pastoral Letter. It is really very good to share it together and discuss the various sections.

I have sent in the yearly report of the PSR program to the Diocese which indicates the number of our students: 9 in kindergarten; 23 in first; 25 in second; 15 in third; 14 in fourth; 10 in fifth; 16 in sixth; 14 in seventh; 8 in eighth; and 45 (I think) in the sophomores, juniors and seniors. Also the report listed the catechists, the texts and any supplementary material.

On September 24 we had Catholic Social Services present the Child Abuse program for our PSR grades K through 8th. Also the report on the Renewal for Child Protection of our Catechists has gone to Belleville.

The Living Rosary was held on October 4th with some holding two candles. Again this was very inspirational. The Pet Blessing was held on October 8th and Father will share this with you. The Reconciliation Workshop for Parents was held on Sunday October 15 at 9 AM with all but two parents attending.