

## Pastoral Council Meeting May 1, 2008

**Attendees:** Joan Beal, Andy & Sandy Litcher, Mary & Jesse Senore, Bob O'Brien, James King, Tony Doman, Jean Landry, Joe Desimone, Theresa Cornell, Fr. Lafontaine, Mary Gordon.

**Excused:** Leo Hurtubise and Jeanne McKew (Happy Birthday Jeanne!)

**Finance Report:** Bob O'Brien (please refer to handout). Overall the parish is doing better 'year to date' than was expected. If the council decides to do any large maintenance projects (paint the exterior of the hall building) we can set the money aside in this fiscal year and regardless of when the job is done the ledger will show the deficit for 2008.

**Minutes:** April minutes were accepted as is.

**Old Business:** Fr. Lafontaine- Our school assessment will remain the same (\$45,000) for next year. Habitat walk will take place this Sunday. Registration for this walk is to take place in the hall. Mary Senore will be participating in the walk having earned over \$100 in pledges (way to go, Mary!). Other members of the council will be volunteering during the day-thank you.

**Fund raising:** Theresa- 235 raffle tickets were sold out of 250 with the Jesuit Community giving their \$1000.00 winnings back to the parish that basically covers the unsold tickets and then some! THANK YOU! The raffle was a great success. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to pull it off! We have a great team of people. Even Leo was 'impressed' 😊 The chicken cordon bleu supper made a profit of \$300.00. Combine that with the raffle the parish made \$12,800.00! Discussion for more fundraising ideas for the fall included a silent auction (start solicitations this summer), calendar sale (must look at area schools/parishes events-fill a gap; not saturate), big 50/50 raffle getting donations from local businesses (Joan).

**Maintenance:** Andy-(please refer to handout) We have a second quote, Brushstrokes, they will reschedule a walk around with Andy to go over specifics. Andy will get two more bids one being Dicon. Fr. Lafontaine and Andy will chose a painter and the money will be put aside for this fiscal year.

**St. Brigid's School:** Fr. Lafontaine-tuition will increase for next year. The actual amount to be announced in the near future.

**New Business:** 2008 Bishop's Appeal goal is set for \$41,000. Kick off announcement will be the weekend of May 17/18. We will dedicate the church bulletin board to the Appeal. Mary G. and Jean Leonard will work on this project. Fr. Matthew's celebration will be a collaborative event between St. Pius and St. Pat's. Point person for St. Pat's is Tina Mikkelson. Mary Senore has offered to be the point person for St. Pius X. Council has ideas for a gift for Fr. Matthew. Andy will create a website for "Cluster 28" more details to come. Leo emailed the council to investigate the cost of running a Saturday ad in the Portland Press Herald for worship times. Combine with St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's and Cluster 28 worship information. Things are very ambiguous as far as the Capuchins staying or not. Parishes will combine on events when possible. Cluster Committee plans to meet this summer to start working out some of the details and processes to follow.

**Next Meeting-**Thursday, June 5, 2008 7PM

Respectfully submitted by: Mary Gordon 05/13/08