

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD  
APRIL 17, 2006**

Fr. Herb Lattis  
Rich Geoghegan, Chairperson  
Barbara Albert  
Erik Evans\*  
Mary Ellen Leis  
Dennis Ofcacek  
Evelyn Becker, Secretary  
\*absent

Chris Rebbin  
Karen Siladi  
David Such\*  
Mark Wagoner  
Barb Williams  
Bill Ferko, Finance Comm.  
Sandy McNeil, Finance Comm.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Rich Geoghegan at 7:05 p.m.

**Opening Prayer:** Led by Barbara Williams.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

**Pastor's Report:** Fr. Herb

- I was very gratified by the response to our parish budget appeal. Almost 50% responded, and the results hopefully will see us through our budget crisis.
- I was very pleased by the quality of our Holy Week services. Much credit should be given to David Zorn for his faithful work. Attendance seemed less this year even though folks were back from Spring Break.
- The First Communion candidates will be interviewed by me, and the weekend First Communion celebrations will begin the week after next.
- I'm pleased and hopeful about our refurbishment efforts. Panels of the work to be done should be ready to be displayed by next weekend. Feedback will be welcomed. I am also very pleased with the donations given even before our formal appeal letters are sent out. We have about \$58,000 toward our \$90,000 goal.
- We need to get going on our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary plans for April, 2007.
- I will be having eye surgery on May 4.

**Committee Reports:**

**Youth Ministry:** John Underwood. (E-mailed to council members after the meeting). Attached.

**Formation:** Bob Sugrue. Report attached.

**Liturgy & Music:** David Zorn. (E-mailed to council members after the meeting). Attached.

**Parish Life:** Martha and Mark Flesch. No report.

**Service:** Diane Geoghegan. Reported by Rich.

- \$776 has been collected in the Rice Bowls so far.
- The food collection basket had a good response.
- Phyllis Osborne received welcome donations for baby supplies for refugees.
- The Twinning checks are going to the proper person in Haiti. A letter from the priest in Haiti will be put in the TOOL Times.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **Parish and Regional Planning** – Rich Geoghegan and Dennis Ofcacek

- The minutes from the last PCAL meeting were sent to Council members via e-mail.
- A letter has been sent to Brian Reynolds making him aware that TOOL's population is increasing and that our drop in numbers was due to purging the roster of people who haven't been active in several years. He also was told that TOOL will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2007, and that our pastor is scheduled for retirement in three years.
- All reports and planning information is available on our web site.
- There will be a Town Hall meeting on Sunday, April 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the basement of the church to solicit the opinions of the parish at large on the questions each Parish Council has to answer for Part II – Parish Recommendations.
- Responses to these questions made by Parish Council members were distributed and discussed. These will be further refined and be the starting point for the Town Hall meeting.
- The next Region IX meeting will be held at 9 a.m. April 29, at Immaculate Conception church.
- Rich suggested that the models for parish reorganization be reviewed. These are posted on the website. They were also described in the Pastoral Leadership & Staffing -2005 report given to Parish Council members in May, 2005.

### **Finance Committee:** Bill Ferko and Sandy McNeil.

- The Financial statements and proposed budget were distributed and explained.
- March was a balanced month.
- We have a deficit of \$12,000 to date, an improvement over the last report.
- It was suggested that the refurbishment costs be taken out of the budget for the TOOL report as it is misleading.
- Money-making projects were suggested by some on the forms returned after the appeal for increased donations. These were discussed.
- One of the most promising suggestions is the Great Lakes Script plan suggested by Patti Such. Rich will ask Patti to submit a proposal for this to be voted on at the next meeting.
- Questions about the budget should be sent to Rich. He will consolidate them and send them to Sandy McNeil by May 1.
- We will get about \$1600 back from CSA because we went over our goal.

### **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** – David Such

- This will be discussed next month since David was not in attendance at this meeting.

**Next meeting** – Monday, May 15, 2006.

Opening Prayer – Mark Wagoner

Closing Prayer – Chris Rebbin

**Closing Prayer:** Karen Siladi

**Adjournment:** 9:30 p.m..

Evelyn Becker  
Secretary