

*ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH*

*PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
MEETING NOTES 7/16/2008*



MISSION STATEMENT

St. Matthew Apostle Parish is a Catholic community committed to Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, blessed by Life, and guided by the Gospel.

Answering the call to follow Christ as disciples challenges us to support one another on our journey of faith and to witness that faith to others.

Dedicated to the mission of Christ, we strive to be a worshiping community reaching out, welcoming, and embracing all people.

PRESENT: Tim Burdick, Jim Gately, Karen Lozano, Janet Mossie, Bill Phillips, Bev Putthoff, Kathy Schadle, Ruth Schmidt, Thelma Smith, Dwayne Katzer.

EXCUSED: Bob Bowen, Gina Buice, and Fr. Lloyd.

GUEST: Georgia Zeller

PRAYER: Karen Lozano

REFRESHMENTS: Janet Mossie

Meeting began with reading of the Mission Statement followed by opening prayer.

REVIEW/ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

3 changes were noted in the meeting notes:

- 1. #1 under Administration Commission Report – Budget was approved.*
- 2. #j under Human Concerns Commission – delete Jean McLafferty's name.*
- 3. #l under Human Concerns Commission – add Thelma Smith's name.*

After these corrections Minutes were approved.

PRESENTATION BY GEORGIA ZELLER

Georgia proposed that we take a more active approach to introducing the Parish Council members by having a "Meet & Greet" weekend every month to be held the weekend before the Council meeting. She suggested that Council Members come early for their particular Mass and stay after to introduce themselves, ask the parishioners for their input, answer their questions, respond to their suggestions and concerns, etc. Everyone seemed to agree that this was a good idea; but no firm commitment was made at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT:

No meeting

PRAYER AND WORSHIP COMMISSION REPORT:

No meeting

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION:

- 1. Next CCO clean up is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 27.*

CHRISTIAN FORMATION COMMISSION:

No report given.

TEMPERATURE OF THE PARISH:

- 1. Some parishioners are complaining about the use of 2 collection baskets down one aisle. They think this is confusing. Others are complaining about the way other parishioners are dressed, talking in the Worship Space, and the ringing of cell phones. It was decided that these issues would be turned over to Jeanne Marie & the Prayer and Worship Committee.*
- 2. There was a suggestion to have a prayer chain to stop Abortion. Tim Burdick will ask Michelle, who is chairman of the Respect Life Committee, to check into this.*

REVIEW OF THE PAST YEAR WAS TABLED AGAIN DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF GINA BUICE WHO HAD SUGGESTED THE REVIEW.

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL ALUMNI ARE SCHEDULING A REUNION (to include anyone who attended St. Matthew's School) for SEPT. 20 BEGINNING AT THE 3 P.M. MASS.

DISCUSSION OF STEWARDSHIP presented by Dwayne Katzer

Review of Chapter 5 "The Christian Steward" and appendix I

Blessed Virgin Mary is the perfect example of Stewardship. Genesis tells the story of creation how we are entrusted with the World and its creatures and all the creations of God. We are entrusted to care for and nurture all of these creations. It is essential that we make a special effort to understand the true meaning of this stewardship and live accordingly. Stewardship is a life style and a life commitment and should be a labor of love. Stewardship is every part of our life not just our Church life.

Next month we will finish this discussion with a video by Most Reverend Thomas Murphy.

NEXT MEETING AUGUST 20, 2008 AT 7 P.M.

PRAYER: Janet Mossie

REFRESHMENTS: Bill Phillips

MASS VOLUNTEERS:

3p.m. Karen

8:30a.m. Bill

11a.m. Thelma