

*ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE  
CATHOLIC CHURCH*

*PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
MEETING NOTES 01/21/2009*



*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:** Gina Buice, Tim Burdick, Dwayne Katzer, Karen Lozano, Janet Mossie, Bill Phillips, Bev Putthoff, Kathy Schadle, Ruth Schmidt, Thelma Smith, Father Lloyd,

**EXCUSED:** Jim Gately, Bob Bowen

**PRAYER:** Ruth Schmidt

**REFRESHMENTS:** Thelma Smith

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

**REVIEW/ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes accepted as written.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT:**

- Met last week. Went over financials for November and December. As of Dec. 31, 2008 there is a surplus of \$13,701.24.
- Weekly contributions up by an average of \$500.00 per week.
- Electrical consumption research has been completed. The billing is correct; we are using more electricity than before renovation.

**PRAYER AND WORSHIP COMMISSION REPORT:**

- No report

**HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION:**

- No new happenings in neighborhood.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION COMMISSION:**

- No report

**REVIEW OF PARISH COUNCIL CONSTITUTION:**

- A verbal review and discussion was started. Further discussion and possible changes will be discussed at the next meeting. Completion should be in March.
- Dwayne will ask Jeanne Marie Heisberger about the age 18 guideline for membership on the Council.

## **TEMPERATURE OF THE PARISH:**

- *Parish Mission will be during Advent. Father will check with Christian Formation.*
- *Town Hall update was discussed. Father handed out part of the result reports, but we are waiting for one more report; to be further discussed next meeting.*
- *Recap of Renovation is finished and should be in the bulletin soon.*
- *Suggestion Box items:*
  - ✓ *Bike racks, mentioned again. Kathy's research paperwork given to Bev to take to Administrative Services. Father Lloyd will check regarding possible installation and full cost.*
  - ✓ *Another request for quiet before Mass.*
  - ✓ *Bells during Mass.*
  - ✓ *Request for a phone committee and a pamphlet listing commission and committee information.*
- *Parish Council to sponsor 1<sup>st</sup>. week of Lenten soup and stations on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>.*

## **PPC NOMINATIONS:**

- *We have a firm dateline for Orientation on March 14 and Discernment on March 28.*
- *Jeanne Marie Heisberger has confirmed her availability.*
- *Nominations to start this coming weekend of Jan. 24-25. Tim Burdick will give a brief talk after each Mass regarding the Parish Council, what it means to him, and what the Commitment means. The Selection Committee consists of two parishioners, Shirley Dobbins and Georgia Zeller, and two Council members, Ruth Schmidt and Karen Lozano. The Selection Committee will be assisting during the Nomination, Orientation, and Discernment process.*

**READING MATERIAL:** *"If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat"*  
by John Ortberg. 1<sup>st</sup>. Chapter facilitated by Ruth Schmidt:

- ✓ *Christ is inviting us to come on an adventure- open our eyes- take the risk.*
- ✓ *If you don't get out of the boat you won't learn or experience the unknown.*
- ✓ *Willingness to risk failure is a chance to grow in Christ.*
- ✓ *"The Boat" is a representation of all your fears.*
- ✓ *The worst failure is to never get out of the boat.*

*The second chapter will be facilitated by Bev Putthoff.*

## **NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 18, 2009**

**PRAYER:** *Thelma Smith*

**REFRESHMENTS:** *Bob Bowen*

**MASS VOLUNTEERS** - 3p.m. *Karen*                      8:30am *Bill*                      11:00am *Thelma*

**CLOSING PRAYER**