

*ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE CATHOLIC
CHURCH*

*PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
MEETING NOTES 05/21/2008*

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: Bob Bowen, Gina Buice, Bonnie Davis, Dwayne Katzer, Karen Lozano, Janet Mossie, Fr. Lloyd Opoka, Bill Phillips, Ruth Schmidt, Thelma Smith.

NEWLY DISCERNED MEMBERS: Tim Burdick, Bev Putthoff, Jim Gately

EXCUSED: Kathy Schadle

GUEST: Mary Kay Woods

PRAYER: Gina Buice

REFRESHMENTS: Bonnie Davis

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

REVIEW/ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

7. Minutes accepted as written.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION REPORT:

- 8. Met Wednesday May 12. Net income, excluding renovation, \$29,079.49; resulting in a loss of \$22,958.68.*
- 9. Renovation \$52,038.17*
- 10. Working on budget at this time. First review has been completed; 2nd. Draft review in June.*
- 11. Next meeting June 4th.*

PRAYER AND WORSHIP COMMISSION REPORT:

No formal report. Next meeting May 27.

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION:

- 12. Silver Threads going as strong as ever!*
- 13. Longview clean up had a very small response of volunteers. Will try to figure out a way to improve participation; possibly more notification and advertisement in the gathering space. Paperwork has been re-signed and notarized. Still waiting on street signs.*
- 14. The Ruskin Heights CDC has received their official non-profit designation.*

CHRISTIAN FORMATION COMMISSION:

Presented by Mary Kay woods.

- 15. A formal, very well prepared report was handed out to each council member detailing the work of the Commission.*
- 16. Confirmation program is an 18 month program using home settings instead of meeting at Church. Confirmation is scheduled for January 14, 2009 and will include St. Catherine's class. It will be at St. Matthew's, officiated by Bishop Finn.*
- 17. Vacation Bible School is the week of July 7th. "God's big back yard" is the theme. They are still looking for and needing volunteers.*
- 18. 100 days of prayer for the parish has been launched. Suggested prayer intercessions and Guideline pamphlets were handed out.*

TEMPERATURE OF THE PARISH:

- 19. Parish Council web site has been updated.*
- 20. No reported concerns or comments per phone calls.*
- 21. Name tags for new members have been ordered.*
- 22. Presentation of new members to the congregation will be the weekend of June 14 & 15.*
- 23. Final orientation for new members will be June 12, facilitated by Dwayne.*
- 24. Election of new officers will be at the June meeting.*
- 25. It was suggested that we do a year end review to make sure we have not left any items dangling.*

DISCUSSION OF STEWARDSHIP by DWAYNE

We discussed Chapter 4 "Stewards of the Church". It was again pointed out that Stewardship is a Total Life style. When we go to help someone we receive as much or more

than we give. We are Stewards of the Community nurturing our gifts and the gifts of others and spreading the Good News, helping and sharing this with our fellow man.

Discussion will continue next month with Chapter 5 and appendix 1, and to fill out the form we received from Dwayne.

NEXT MEETING JUNE 18, 7 P.M.

PRAYER: Bonnie Davis

REFRESHMENTS: Karen Lozano

Meeting details were not given to the congregation on Saturday or Sunday