

St. Clement's Pastoral Council
4-16-07 Minutes

In attendance: Marcia Brown, Ernie Gailor, Joanne Farrell, Jeffrey Fenton, Dara Flanagan, Barbara Garro, Marie Harrison, Rhonda Hislop, John Olenik, Nancy Osberg-Otrembiak, Father Tizio.

Opening prayer: Offered by Barbara

- **CALL TO BE CHURCH PLAN**

- The Core Team meeting was held at St. Joseph's Church.
- There was a slight change in format to address concerns related to implementing ideas from the brainstorming sessions. Parish groups would now have time to meet in order to review and discuss ideas and how they would apply to their individual parishes.
- The focus of the most recent meeting was to determine what services, if any, were not provided or not available to members of the parish. Most items listed were, in fact, available through Catholic Charities, except for some services for senior citizens.
- Being able to communicate this information to the proper parties, committees, or to the church community was a concern. There may be a person in the parish willing to construct and manage a parish newsletter to which all parish committees and ministries could contribute.

Old Business:

- Welcome Home Sunday. A team met to discuss the format of Welcome Home Sunday on May 19 & 20. Members of Pastoral Council will serve as greeters and guides. Pamphlets will be provided with contact information for those wishing to receive more information. Others who have recently returned to the Church may be willing to share their experiences during the Masses.

New Business:

The Suggestion Box contained:

- A "thank you" for from Jane for having the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and a request to look into having Perpetual Exposition. Many conditions would have to be considered to implement this.
- A comment about the dress code for Eucharistic Ministers. Church requirements will be reviewed, but there are some occasions when ministers are serving unexpectedly and they are dressed more "casually" than if they had anticipated serving.
- A request from Sade to have more children's materials such as Angels on Assignment available.
- A comment regarding the Meditations Stations that was presented by the Youth Ministry (It was wonderful!).
- A request for additional reading material.
- Suggestions for music ministry.

Other New Business:

- Altar steps: investigating refinishing the edges with a new texture or shine to make a visual difference. Information will be presented to Buildings and Grounds.
- Offer received to proofread the bulletin and web pages. Father Tizio will pass the information on to Jan Nudo for possible consideration.

Next Meeting: 5-14-07 @ 6:15 p.m. In the Sacristy work area.

Opening Prayer: Ernie; Closing: Nancy.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeffrey Fenton