

St. Clement's Pastoral Council
Meeting, April 2, 2009

Present: Trip Gagnon (Chair), Pat Reo (Co-Chair), Walt Pazderski, Lorraine Kelleher, Joyce Ponserella, Fr. Paul, Barbara Garro, Tom Francomano, Suzanne Cleary, Nancy Osberg-Otrembiak

Discussion of March Events

It was noted that the programs in March were, whether huge or not, a success, especially noted the Lenten Missions. Many PC members participated. There was positive feedback. It was questioned if we could do this at non-Lenten times also. There was a suggestion of perhaps a one day mission. Fr. Paul said the Lenten Missions will continue for the next few years. The 2010 speaker will be Fr. Paul Bryant and Fr. Phil Dabney for 2011.

We talked about how to continue to develop our vision. How can PC really be a key part of our parish? A suggestion was to identify people in the parish who we can ask to do things to help during different activities/events and get them involved in this way. Another suggestion was to find a way to relate to others what makes St. Clements special and meaningful to us.

It was decided to appoint a subcommittee to brainstorm on the above suggestions. **This sub-committee will consist of Walt, Suzanne and Tom.**

Another suggestion was to have an evening of music/prayer. **A sub-committee for this will include Nancy, Pat and Barbara.** This event will take place sometime in October. Church cleaning went well; 20-25 people showed up and everyone seemed to enjoy the opportunity.

New Business

Checked with Fr. to see if there was anything PC members could do to help. Fr. said everything was all set.

The Fall Picnic will be on Sept. 20th this year. It was decided to let parishioners do more to help, instead of just PC members. It was also decided that the time will be one hour shorter (12-3 instead of 12-4) since most people are gone before the last hour. We will get our older youth involved in setting up the games for the younger youth, and maybe tap into the school more. Everyone should be thinking of other ideas for the picnic and be prepared with them at the next meeting.

Fr. Paul noted that one of the confessionals will be returned and used for confessions.

Next Meeting

May 11, 2009, 6:30 p.m. in the "Couch" room.
Opening Prayer—Nancy; Closing Prayer—Pat