

Immaculate Conception Pastoral Council Minutes
Wednesday, January 14, 2009
Immaculate conception Heritage Room

Members Present: Fr. Colter, Kevin Davis, Gary Mangrich, Rhonda Bloes, Tim Horrigan, Becky Bertch, Ken Thoma and recording secretary Janet Reiter.

Kevin called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

Fr. Colter led the council in praying the Our Father.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes.
Minutes approved
Agenda amended

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Education: Fr. reported that the state visit is in progress. STO received 73% of its goal but we need to be aware that the goal was raised considerable this year. Fr. Colter said a report is coming with donors and amounts will be coming.

Spiritual Growth & Liturgy: Discussion was held on the Lenten schedule. Kevin will contact individuals to read the stations on Wednesdays at 5:15 PM. Stations are then followed by Mass at 5:30 PM. Discussion also on the Christmas Mass schedule. Fr. Colter said that the Christmas Vigil 4:00 PM Mass at IC and 4:15 PM at St. Joseph worked well but suggested that next year Mass times will coincide at 4:00 PM. Fr. also said that we would not be able to reduce the Christmas morning Masses.

Community Life and Social Concerns:

Rhonda reported that the Giving Tree project went well. Vince & Nancy Weber transported the many gifts donated by parishioners and school students to St. Bridget in Postville.

Rosary Society: Paula Vandebos reported that the Christmas Tour of Homes went well. The Rosary Society sold 97 tickets which are considered good considering the icy, old evening. The Pie Auction on Saturday May 1, 2009 is their next project.

Finance and Administration:

PARISH COUNCIL STATUS OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Checking Acct. Balance 11-30-08	\$35,553.39	
I.C. Improvement Fund	\$191,526.87	
IC/Bosco Building Fund	\$46,350.17	
Income for November	\$83,817.38	Adult Budget = \$46,403.25
Expenses for December	\$53,938.35	

Checking Acct. Balance 12-31-08	\$31,366.29	
I.C. Improvement Fund	\$194,887.37	
IC/Bosco Building Fund	\$46,350.17	
Income for December	\$225,009.85	Adult Budget = \$88,757.32 Christmas 2008 = 32,154.00
Expenses for December	\$228,783.93	

Note:

1. The parish is current with both school assessments.
2. Christmas donations were \$2,154.00 above budgeted amount of \$30,000
3. November Capital Improvement Donations: \$28,754.05
December Capital Improvement Donations: \$65,501.00
Current IC/Bosco Building Fund as of 1/13/09: \$99,850.17
4. Rosary Society transferred \$27,000 to savings @ the D&L

Buildings and Grounds: Nothing to report,

Deanery Council: Sue Reiter attended the meeting and sent minutes which were handed out by the recording secretary.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Still no progress on the subject matter.

B. Skateboarding is not a problem at this time. If the problem reoccurs this spring the first step is to call the Gilbertville police to remind the children that there is no skateboarding on parish or school property. Fr. Colter reported that we will install signs in the spring if the problem persists. This subject will then be tabled until spring.

C. Discussion was held on the question should we shingle only the south half of the rectory roof when possible or shingle the entire roof with a superior product. New bids with comparable materials will need to be obtained.

PASTOR'S COMMENTS

Fr. Colter reported that a meeting is scheduled on January 21 to discuss fund raising.

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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 11, 2009. 7:00 Pm in the Heritage Room.

Respectfully submitted

Janet Reiter
Parish Secretary