

St. Francis-By-the-Sea Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes of the Meeting, December 1, 2008

Present: Fr. Mike, Sr. Kathleen Kane, Peters, Timperman, Boyle, Schaerfl, Staub, Baker, Grindstaff, Doyle, Naumann.

Guest: Jim Hyland, for Kairos.

Fr. Mike opened the meeting with a Prayer at 7PM.

Bob Doyle introduced Jim Hyland, who gave a full report on the recent Kairos experience.

- 36 inmates were introduced to Christ during 10-11 hour days.
- This was achieved by 45 volunteers, men and women, of whom 7 were parishioners.
- They will be revisited 1 and 2 weeks after, then monthly, to help them deal with the Muslim challenge.
- \$2200.00 was provided for this effort by SFBTS, representing 40% of the total budget.
- Jim expressed sincere thanks and asked for continued support.

The minutes of the Oct. 27th meeting were conditionally approved, subject to suggested changes. (Sent to all: 12/05/08.)

Sr. Kathleen reported on several items:

- 5th Graders have been writing "Anniversary" poems, which will be published.
- Pat Birmingham was recognized by HH Monthly for his work with Meals-on-Wheels.
- SF Thrift placed 2nd (to VIM) in Readers' Choice for best Charitable Organization.
- The Guadalupe Celebration will be Dec. 12th and all members are encouraged to attend!
- This Thurs.(the 4th) will be the EOMs Christmas gathering.

Maureen Schaerfl said about the Anniversary, that:

- There will be an article in The Miscellany
- Dec. 7th Will be a joint celebration with "Founding Members" and the RCIA.

- By the end of January, we should know whether we can proceed with construction, and thus how to plan for the proposed Gala (in the Multi-purpose Bldg.)

Bob explained about the Debt Reduction Program, for which envelopes are already in the new packets. This represents the final effort and will complete the Capital Campaign.

Fr. Mike explained in general terms the relationship between the parish, the diocese and various outside ministries (immigration).

Bob gave a quick update on the improved Parish Website and encouraged all to check it out.

Under New Business, Jo Timperman initiated some discussion relative to proposed changes to the Adoration Chapel. She anticipates input from the Ruegamers, father and son, who are both architects. She will have a fuller report in the future. There seemed to be sentiment among the members in favor of simplicity.

The next meeting will be January 12th, 2009.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

It was only a little after 8PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Naumann, Recorder.