

**St. Francis Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2007**

Attendees: Bill Burger, Mario Doria-Medina, Bob Doyle, John Grindstaff, Sr. Kathleen Kane, Audrey McGovern, Fr. Michael Oenbrink, Maria Elena Salazar, Brad Simpson

Also Attending: Charlie Birmingham, Fr. Salvador Cruz,

The meeting was opened at 7:05 with the Campaign Prayer led by Fr. Mike

- 1) The minutes from the March 26, 2007 PPC Meeting were approved.**
- 2) Sr. Kathleen report:**
 - a) Wedding Team had first wedding of the season.**
 - b) RCIA “graduates” had a get together at McFadden’s last Sunday.**
 - c) Poetry Committee is flourishing.**
 - d) Catholic Women of Low Country and Women of St. Francis prepared meals for feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.**
 - e) Sr. questioned whether letter of appreciation had been sent to the Kinneys (deferred until Nathan Klein at meeting).**
- 3) Bob Doyle – Capital Campaign Status**
 - 18 receptions have been held and 367 people have attended**
 - over 100 people were addressed at the Spanish Mass**
 - May 6/7 is commitment Sunday**
 - 60 parishioners personally contacted by Leadership Team**
- 4) Room at the Inn – Charlie Birmingham**
 - A house in Bluffton has been acquired**
 - They hope to eventually have a second house for mothers to stay in after the babies are born.**
 - Will focus on education and will encourage church attendance**
 - Day care is available at the first house.**
- 5) Nominating Committee status:**
 - 4 total positions need to be filled.**
 - John Mack will have term extended.**
 - Dianne Boyle and Ron Naumann have been approached and are interested in serving.**
- 6) Youth Ministry**
 - currently is doing well under the direction of Allison Griswold, but we will need a replacement for her when she leaves**

- 7) **Habitat for Humanity**
- The build of the house jointly sponsored by Holy Family and St. Francis was started on April 21 with a dedication prayer by Fr. Cruz and Deacon John DeWolfe.
- 8) **Dead Sea Scrolls lecture sponsored by Women of St. Francis, Knights of Columbus and Notre Dame Alumni was very well attended and appreciated by all.**
- 9) **New Business:**
- a) Columbarium continues to have problems with "unauthorized" flowers etc. Terry Conway will be asked to post sign to remind parishioners on what is permitted.
 - b) Knights of Columbus will be requested to improve maintenance of stations of the cross.
 - c) Bill Burger will get with Bob Doyle to see if daily readings can be posted on our web site.
- 10) **Old Business:**
- a) Initial Family Mass will be postponed until Sept. 9.
 - b) Leigh Bullen will meet with Fr. Mike on Charitable Contributions budget and will target May PPC meeting to review with Council.
 - c) Mario Doria-Medina suggested that a bilingual Mass be included in Feast of St. Francis celebration week.
- 11) **Pastor's Report – Fr. Mike**
- a) A High School Planning group has been named and have set up a web page.
 - b) Our Moral Compass forum with Fr. Mike as a speaker is scheduled for 3 to 5 PM , May 6 at Hilton Head High School. Topic is "Poverty and Homelessness".

The meeting was closed at 7:59 PM with a prayer led by Fr. Mike

The next PPC meeting is scheduled for 7 PM on May 21, 2007

**Bill Burger
Recorder**