

St. Anne's Pastoral Council
Annual General Meeting
May 15, 2011

- 1) **Opening Prayer:** Father Lawrence led us in prayer.
- 2) **Welcome:** Chairperson John Marshall welcomed everyone in attendance (approximately 28 people were present) and called the meeting to order.
- 3) A motion to approve the agenda as outlined was made by John Marshall and seconded by Wayne Kzyzyk. Carried.
- 4) A motion to accept the minutes of May 25, 2010 was made by John Marshall and seconded by Cody Reddekopp. Carried.
- 5) **Chairs' Report:** John Marshall reviewed highlights from the 2010-2011 year that had been outlined in the Parish Bulletin. John introduced the current members of Parish Pastoral Council and thanked all committee members for their work. He also thanked all volunteers who assist with parish life highlighted .
Fr. Lawrence reported on his first year as Pastor of St. Anne's Parish. He felt that it was appropriate that the Annual General Meeting was being held on Good Shepherd Sunday to make it clear that we are all called to shepherd, to give life to one another.
He commented on his wish list:
 1. A few minor changes in the décor for our liturgical spaces (e.g processional cross, tabernacle pillar etc.)
 2. A stronger outreach to the poor, the infirm and mission beyond our parish so richly Blessed.
 3. Leadership as a parish in ecological concerns.He commented that he was grateful to be here. He felt richly blessed, especially with the positive presence of Daniel Yasinski, our seminarian.
- 6) **Financial Report** - Neil Reddekopp of the Finance Committee circulated the financial statement and gave an overview of the report. (see attached report)
 - a) Our revenue for 2010 was \$805,597.24 including Diocesan Collections. Collections, both loose and envelopes, have remained stable since last year. Parish Development Fund is down slightly. Neil commented that money disbursed from the Bishop's Annual Appeal was utilized to pay down debt.
 - b) Total expenses for the year 2009 were \$620, 856.08 down from 2009. Payroll expenses (increased 2%) and general office administrative expenses were slightly increased from last year. Expenses on the debt continues to decrease. He commented on the work that has been done on the rectory, the refurbishing of the church pews, and resurfacing of the dance floor.

c) Net Income for the year was \$184, 741.16. The current cash balance in the bank is 108, 294.69. The goal is to maintain \$75,000 to \$100,000 in the bank account as a benchmark. Debt which currently stands at \$400, 148 will continue to be paid down from the revenue received from the Bishop's Appeal disbursement. It is expected that debt will be reduced to \$300,000 by June 2011 and that the loan will be fully paid off in just over 2 years.

7) Committee Reports:

Social Committee: Wayne Kzyzyk commented that the church calendar was evidence of how full of life that the Parish is during the course of the year with activities put on by the Ladies Night Out, Youth , CWL and K of C. He also commented that this vibrancy is being witnessed in events outside the Parish like DIG and Chrism Mass.

Youth Ministry: Cody Redekop commented that the hiring of a full-time youth ministry coordinator and allocation of an established budget for youth should continue to facilitate youth activities in the Parish. He noted activities such as Friday Youth Group and Steps in Faith (a program initiated by the Diocese) should continue to be developed to form a cohesive vision for youth ministry.

Liturgical Committee: Karen Schreiner reported that the church acquired a new Paschal Candle made from bee's wax. Fr. Lawrence was considering introducing new times for the sacrament of reconciliation. The Parish recognized liturgies such as the World Day Prayer for the Sick, the November Memorial Mass and the upcoming sacraments of confirmation and first communion.

Adult Faith Formation: Sr. Dianne reported that roughly 68 -70 children were baptized during the past year. The recent Rite of Initiation witnessed 5 adults and children being confirmed into the faith at the Easter Vigil. Kids for Christ is a program held monthly on Sunday afternoons that helps our children learn that it is fun to learn about prayer.

Catholic Women's League: Penny Laprairie reported on the recent year's activities involving the CWL that have included a bake sale for Columbus Bosco Homes, a Ladies' Night Out, a Mother's Day Mass, Good Council Potluck and an Advent Supper with the Knights of Columbus. The St. Anne's CWL devotes time and money to a lot of charities.

7) Presentation Saskatoon Diocese Ordained Ministry: A powerpoint presentation was shown outlining challenges faced by the Diocese as far as the number of priests available to serve. Those in attendance were asked to provide feedback as to how St. Anne's could assist with sharing the challenge of fewer clergy and how to enhance vocations for ordained and lay ministry.

8) Nominations and Election of 2011-2012 Pastoral Council - John called for nominations from the floor for the position of Vice President. He also asked for individuals wishing to fill vacant committee spots to bring their names forward. Moved by John Marshall that Bridget Koch fill the position of Youth representative on Parish Council. Seconded Erin Gratton. Carried.

Moved by Colm Leyne that Sharon Leyne be named to pastoral Parish Council as a member-at-large. Seconded Emily Bajbula. Carried.

Moved by Sr. Dianne Sehn that Nellie Woznica be named to pastoral Parish Council as a member-at-large. Seconded Daniel Yasinski. Carried.

People will be sought to fill any vacancies that exist and Council is as follows:

Pastor - Father Lawrence DeMong
Past Chair - John Marshall
Chair - Joanne Kzyzyk
Vice-Chair - vacant
Adult Faith Formation (Education) - vacant
CWL – Penny Laprairie
Ecumenism - Margot Taylor
K of C - to be designated
Liturgical Committee - Karen Schreiner
Ministry of Care - vacant
Parish Activities - Wayne Kzyzyk
Social Justice – Betty Jmaeff
Youth – Bridget Koch
Member-at-large- Sharon Leyne
Member-at-large- Nellie Woznica

9) Closing Prayer - Father Lawrence closed the meeting with prayer.