St. John’s Pastoral Council  
Meeting Minutes  
August 16, 2011

Present: Fr. Pat Malone, Bob Austria, Mary Lee Brock, Linda Daly, Anne Lawlor, Rick Bellino

Absent/Excused: Kaye Bellino, Sean Malloy

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The group began the meeting in prayer, led by Fr. Malone.

Approval of minutes. Minor corrections were made to the minutes and they were approved as amended.

Introduction of Council Members. Rick Bellino was welcomed to Parish Council. Rick and his wife Kaye are new members, as is Sean Malloy. Additional new members are being recruited and the group should be finalized in September.


Old Business:
St. John’s 125th Jubilee in 2012. The council agreed that the Skutt Student Center should be reserved for the event, to be held next summer. Bob Austria talked about interviewing parishioners to capture their memories of the parish. It was suggested that Bob talk to Larry Brennan about possibly videotaping the interviews.

Parish Picnic Recap. The picnic was well attended and well-received by parishioners.

Student Soup Supper scheduled for 1/29/12 or 2/12/12. Lower St. John’s has been reserved for both dates until a firm date is set. Anne Lawlor will provide her notes from setting up previous soup suppers to be used by the volunteers who will coordinate it this year.

Thanksgiving Dinner. Dick Super will lead the volunteer effort on this. More details to come on this popular event.

Second collection report/student fundraising requests. The council determined that student fundraising requests will be handled via boxes at the church entrances (e.g., diaper donations, clothing, etc.)

Sound aids – convenient location in church. The Council agreed that a sign should be placed in the church indicating where the sound aids can be found. Most likely, the aids will be located in a basket near the handicapped ramp. Vivian Amu will make sure the aids are available at Masses. A council member commented that the batteries need to be checked and charged regularly.

New Business:

Meeting dates – Third Tuesday of the month from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

September 20          January 17
October 18            February 21
November 15           March 20
December 20           April 17

May 15
Olan Mills Pictorial Directory. The council agreed that a pictorial directory is a good idea and would dovetail nicely with the 125th celebration. Fr. Pat will ask Kathleen Denne to follow-up with Olan Mills. The Council would like to see parishioner email addresses listed in the new directory and wonder if an online directory would be possible.

Fr. Malone let the group know that David Scholl will attend the September meeting to bring forth a request for new chasubles.

Next Meeting: September 20 at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Pastoral Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Lawlor