

**ST. JOHN the EVANGELIST CHURCH
PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 7, 2007**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fr. Goman, Kristin Jamison, Mary & Tony Shidla, Kathy Nordaune, Kari McSherry, Joyce Murungi & Marcellus Mayaka, Barbara Shimshock, Lynne Raphael.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Deacon Murphy, Bob McSherry, Estaban & Obdulia Gonzalez.

The meeting was opened with prayer and reflections led by Fr. Goman.

MINUTES Minutes were approved and accepted.

Pictures were taken of the 2007-2008 council members.

NEW MEMBERS Father Goman introduced new members: Marcellus Mayaka and Joyce Murungi, and Bob and Kari McSherry. Guidelines for council members were reviewed. The council is an advisory to the pastor and represents 400+ families. Members were advised to speak to at least ten community members between meetings.

LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES /NOTEBOOKS Bob & Kari were assigned to Faith Formation and Marcellus Mayaka & Joyce Murungi were assigned to Youth Ministry. Time was spent organizing notebooks.

HISPANIC COMMUNITY Father will contact Anne Attea about conducting a meeting on integrating the Hispanic and Anglo communities. The suggested date is Nov. 7th.

FALL LEADERSHIP MEETING The Leadership Meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2007 in the community room. The speaker is Judy Urban. Her topic is how to rejuvenate and energize committee recruiting of new members. She will look at effective ways of retaining and energizing committees.

Council members are to contact their committees about signing up for the Leadership meeting.

Mass will be at 5:30 P.M. Pizza will be served to those attending Mass. Council members will be expected to help set up the community room for the meeting.

PASTOR'S COMMENTS Fr. Announced that he will retire in June of 2008.

The date of the Fiesta

has been changed to Oct. 6th. Bishop Pates will celebrate Mass at 5 P.M. Language and music will be integrated. The Fiesta will follow Mass.

RCIA will start at the end of September. Do you know any likely candidates?

Archdiocesan Parish Leadership Conference will be held Oct.27,2007 at the University of St. Thomas School of Law in Minneapolis.

A local Stewardship Meeting will be held at Transfiguration Church.

The International Stewardship Meeting will take place in Miami , Sept. 23-Sept.26, 2007. Father Goman will attend . Barbara Shimshock , a pastoral council member, will also attend.

An international RCIA Workshop for children is being offered.

Robyn Magalska Liebl is leaving after 7 years of service with the Youth Ministry . A reception will be held at St. John's on Aug. 12th after the 6P.M. Mass. St. Joseph will honor her after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, August 19th..

The meeting closed with a prayer.

THE NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 11, 2007 AT 7:00 p.m. IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.

THIS IS ALSO THE LEADERSHIP MEETING.

MINUTES WILL BE APPROVED BY THE FULL COUNCIL AT THE NEXT MEETING.

MISSION STATEMENT: The Parish Council, being composed of representatives of the entire community, shall offer counsel to the Pastor in matters which virtually affect the spiritual and material well-being of the parish, through their representation on the Pastoral Council, will grow in their individual and collective conversion to the renewing Kingdom of God.

Submitted by Lynne Raphael