

**St. Mary Parish
Pastoral Council Minutes
March 18, 2010**

Present: Kathy Baldwin, Jim Schaecher, Arlene Harris, Winnie Bolton, Daniel Traeger, Tony Morris, Fr. Philip Waibel, Kevin Aman, John Vandecoevering

Absent: Brother Mark, Norman Zollner, Tim Berning, Janie Fessler, Sr. Maureen Niedermeyer, Brother Jacob, Mike Farris

- Fr. Philip opened the meeting with prayer
- There were no corrections or additions to the January minutes
- Dr. Grady came to share with us the social justice activity he is involved with in Silverton. He has been involved with this cause for 13-14 years. A big part of their work is in education. They meet as a group on Saturday mornings about once a month but not a strict schedule. They operate loosely with the parish. They try to bring awareness to the community of needy situations. He invited us to join them for a meeting. But call before to be sure they would be there.

- Walks-ins
 - Daniel suggests we put together a retreat for the Council in May.
 - Also suggest to have daycare available during holy hours
 - Tony suggested that we organize buses or a car pool for the upcoming Mathew Kelly presentations. Also, he talked to Christianne Kraemer about the brochure. She has the electronic file for updating and printing.
 - Arlene asked if we should do more advertising about parish activities in the local papers as other local churches do. Fr. described our present advertising.
 - Kathy said there were about 250 people at Celebrations of Faith. The number was smaller than anticipated.
 - Kevin said it would be a good idea to have similar Celebrations of Faith like we just had for just the high school students.
 - Jim said Tim would like to see a point person for the Parish Picnic.

- **Action Items for future review.**

1-19-10 We need to discuss the Parish picnic. Do we have someone to lead this event? Do we continue to do it? Jim will contact Kathy Eder to see if she would like to help organize the picnic.

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 20th at 7:00 pm.

Submitted by
John Vandecoevering