

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes of January 15th 2013

- Mary Alimenti has resigned as chairperson of Pastoral Council; next meeting Mary will be invited for a gathering to thank her for her service.
- Joe Williams is serving as chairperson of Pastoral Council.
- Financial Report -- meeting next week with Financial Council and Fr. Caparas to prepare a report for the parish. It will present an overview of the finances in the last 6 months.
- Collections are up and down: Averaging \$6K to \$6.5K; Need \$9K per weekend; Christmas 2011 was \$19K, Christmas 2012 estimated at \$26K to \$27K. No final count available yet.
- Christmas schedule: Priests felt masses were well attended
- Maintenance report: Boiler was repaired at St. Mary
- Ash Wednesday February 13th 2013 schedule: 7:30am Mass at St. Mary's, 9:00am Mass at St. Rose, 12:00 service only Our Lady of Victories, 7:00PM St. Michaels, and 7:00PM Spanish Mass at Our Lady of Victories
- Stations of the Cross: February 13th thru March 1st at St. Mary's; March 8th thru March 22nd at Our Lady of Victories; Confessions -- Mondays after Mass and Fridays at 6:30pm; Soup supper before Stations of the Cross.
- Youth Group report: this Sunday movie with popcorn and snacks; Joe Williams to research programs available; training is available and may be attended by Joe Williams; Christmas Party was discussed; meetings once per month;
February-Dodge Ball; March-meet your parish Priests; June-carpooling to St. John Neumann and cheesesteaks in Philadelphia; this summer-Morey's Pier or Great Adventure
- Barna Group information was presented by Maureen Starling
- Hispanic Community Report: RCIA meets Monday evenings; Our Lady of Guadalupe Association meets 2nd Sunday of every month
- Knights of Columbus Report: Betty Testa's Grandchildren to be honored at the next meeting; fundraising for Seton Hall is pending; selling breakfast sandwiches and coffee outside after Mass -- one week St. Michael's, one week St. Rose's; Roe v. Wade 40th anniversary: March for Life; helped with dinner prep and serving (Volunteers luncheon); helped with decorating of Church's; Pride in our Priests dinner

Old Business

- 50/50 raffle: 600 sold \$12K to \$13K
- Cabaret night was a successful event
- Need more attendance at events by Pastoral Council and Priests

New Business

- Fundraising-Dinner/Dance instead of chicken BBQ in Minotola in June; Malaga will have Chicken BBQ as usual in August for the Feast.
- New Bishop is Dennis Sullivan -- installation February 12th at 2:00pm, St. Agnes in Blackwood, Fr. Caparas is one of the Master of Ceremonies
- Parish to take out ads in The Star Herald: One for Bishop Galante, One for Bishop Sullivan
- Confirmation on April 23rd 2013
- Holy week schedule: Liturgical laws dictate that the Triduum needs to be treated as one event and held at one location (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil) discussion followed: decision made to hold at St. Michael's
- Knights of Columbus: Our Lady of Guadalupe Icon; available February to June; transported by the Knights of Columbus; prayer books and cards are supplied by the Knights of Columbus; tentative visit May 10th to May 12th 2013; Parish feast May 13th 2013

Good of the Order: Bishop Galante-Health; Bishop Sullivan-Guidance; Next meeting February 5th 2013 (informal), gathering in honor of Mary Alimenti