

St. Mildred Church
Parish Council Meeting
May 14, 2007

Member's Present: Robert Nastasi, Margaret Hughes, John Wootten, Laura Leblanc, Rosemary Boutwell, Michelle Anderson, Ben Dadd, Father Don, Andreas Pedroza and Stephanie Brown.

Member's Excused: Nancy Hook, Joan Shifferd, Andrea Mullen, Tom Stack, Sophie Martin, and Mary Van Welzen.

Visitors: John Laursen, Ed Keating and Beth Wootten.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm. Robert led the opening prayer.

The minutes were approved with the following amendments: Tom Stack was present at the April meeting; Andrea Mullen was excused from the April meeting; Lewis McCloud and Jon Winchester are no longer members of the council.

OLD BUSINESS

Parish Picnic- At this time there are approximately 388 people sign up and of that 103 are children. It is anticipated that there will be 400 attendees (120 of those will be children). Michelle Bennett is the games organizer and Pauline Smith will provide music. The set up team leader will be Ben and the take down leader will be Robert. Deacon Jerry will be in the dunk tank for one hour. Laura will pick up name tags and Margaret will help with them. Set up will begin at 9:30 am. There will be 2 tents, a moonwalk and tables. Several members went outside to view the layout. Ken Ayre donated 400 hamburgers and 300 hot dogs.

The publicity brochure will be ready this Saturday or Sunday. John has a list of the local businesses where they will be out.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Youth Group: On May 6, 2007 there will be a pizza party in lieu of the movie night. The youth group acknowledged Laura's retirement. Future events include a car wash on June 16, 2007 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Advance Auto in Swansboro, Robert will put this in the bulletin; Chris Sheppard, Kelly Sparr, Stephanie Flick, Victoria Sabisch, Lindsey and Katie Yingling and Christopher Losack volunteered to help at the Knights of Columbus anniversary dinner. There was a discussion about using a search engine for donations to the Youth Group. Donations may be made when the search engine is used.

Liturgy Committee: No report

Stewardship: No report

Religious Education: The May procession for the crowning of Mary was very nice. Laura is in the process of turning of items in preparation of retirement.

WOEOM: For the month of April family assistance totaled \$40,239; St. Mildred's had 811 volunteer hours; the Hem of His Garment made \$67,183. Total sales year to date are \$285,000+. There were 571 Meals on Wheels delivered with a cost of \$2,855 to the WOEOM. Total volunteer hours for April were 4999. More help is always needed in the Hem or to deliver Meals on Wheels.

Women's Guild: The guild awarded two scholarships, one to Raymond Blasi and the other to Mayalita McCloud.

Catholic Charities: No report, next meeting will be held on May 18, 2007.

Hispanic Ministries: First Communion and Confirmation will be held this Sunday at 6:30 pm at St. Mildred's.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Selina Brooks and Harold Yingling will receive \$1,500 per year from the parish for Youth ministries.

Francine Sabisch will be the new Director of Education beginning June 1, 2007. Laura retires on June 30, 2007.

With no further business, John led the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm. The next meeting will be on August 13, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Brown