

Blue Water Vicariate Pastoral Council Meeting
Holy Family, Memphis
October 14, 2009

Present:

Vicar – Fr. Nick Zukowski
AOD Facilitator – Lory McGlennen
Cardinal Mooney – Bruce Beaton
Holy Trinity – Sandy Chopman & Sharon Bender
Holy Family – Visitor, Jan Hunt
Immaculate Conception – Amy O’Gara
Our Lady on the River – Roberta Ivan
St. Augustine – Gerry St. John & Gerard Szczerbinski
St. Edward on the Lake – Sarah Rutkowski & Hank Rutkowski
St. Mary – St. Clair – Fred Kilcline
St. Mary, Port Huron – Garry Isaacson
St. Mary Queen of Creation – Larry Paczkowski
Campus Minister SCCCO – Eric Coules
DRE’s Tina Kovalcik
Principals – Rachael Becker
Youth Ministers – Deanna White

Not represented:

St. Christopher,
APC –
Hispanic Rep – Lucy Sabastian
Christian Service – John Connors
Vicariate Secretary – Deb Hauer

Gerry St. John brought the meeting to order at 7:20

Fr. Nick led us in a prayer.

Introductions were made around the table.

Previous minutes were approved

OLD BUSINESS

Bruce Beaton opened the meeting with a discussed the assets of having Cardinal Mooney High School in our vicariate and the superior education and formation it provides along with encouraging vocations.

Procedural Review

Fr. Nick reviewed procedures on submitting reports.

Career Transition Ministries (CTM)

CTS is developing a survey to access needs and ask for volunteers. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 29, 2009 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary Queen of Creation Annex.

Now that we have some activity in the vicariate, the Blue Water Vicariate will request a link from the AODOnline.org site.

Ted L& Company

Ted & Co. was a huge success. Nearly 300 lbs. of food was collected at St. Mary Queen of Creation and \$53.50, and over 400 lbs. of food was collected at St. Mary, Port Huron and \$80.00.

Stewardship

Lory reminded all that the archdiocese has available brochures discussing stewardship. St. Mary Queen of Creation stewardship program is going very well. Collections are stable and on target. The received 200 new contributors last year and 50 new this year thus far.

Guest, Jan Hunt brought up issues of parish finance. Discussion was had on the perceived duties of a Parish Council verses Finance Committee. New requirements and documentation is coming from the archdiocese soon that should help clarify the issue.

Hispanic Ministries

Will be meeting with Bishop Flores.

Parish Council

All vicariate parishes should submit information on partner parishes for the next meeting. Discussion on partner parishes, vicariate/archdiocese boundary issues and clarification of cluster/partner issues was given by Lory.

Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School

Fr. Nick discussed the pros/cons of rotating chaplain responsibility for Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School. Not really practical to rotate as it provides no consistency for the school. It was determined that a newly ordained associate at Holy Cross Church be assigned as Chaplain to CMC with the weekly student Masses, presided on a rotating basis, by the priests of the vicariate.

Vicariate Budget

The vicariate budget is still being reviewed. A proposed budget was distributed for review and a decision is expected at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Wedding Coordinators

Discussion of charges levied for wedding coordinators, music ministers, use of facilities. All members are asked to inquire as to their individual parishes procedures and costs and report back at our next meeting.

OPEN FORUM

Funeral Vigil Team Training – 7:00 pm Thursday, November 12th. RSVP to Tina at St. Augustine.

Archdiocese Women’s Conference is upcoming, participation is encouraged. It will be held Saturday, November 14th, 2009, 8:15 am to 1:30 pm at St. Genevieve Parish. Livonia,

USCCB has information on their website on Health Care Reform.

The dates for future VPC meeting and the hospitality are as follows:

November 11 th	St. Mary Port Huron
January 13 th	St. Mary Queen of Creation
February 10 th	Immaculate Conception
March 10 th	St. Augustine
May 12 th	St. Mary Saint Clair
June 9 th	St. Edward on the Lake
September 2010	Holy Family

Meeting was closed with the Stewardship Prayer and adjourned at 9:10 pm.