

## Minutes

## Our Lady of the Lake Pastoral Council

**November 19, 2014 Meeting Called by Julie Smith**

### Members:

Monsignor Michael Sexton

Julie Smith

Mark McRae

Gloria Rodgers

Karen Hand

Serge Brazzolotto

Carl Rochford

Stephen Reese

Beth Brouillette

David Springer

### Attendees:

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### Guests:

James Raynor

**Mission Statement: "As witness to the love of Jesus Christ, our parish commits to be a more active and compassionate faith community."**

- I. **Opening Prayer:** Serge Brazzolotto opened the meeting in prayer.
- II. **Minutes Approved from October Meeting:** Karen and Serge approved the minutes.
- III. **Committee Reports:**
  - A. **Stewardship Fair – Sonia Dale:** No report was provided. Sonia Dale was out of town. However, she mentioned that for the future the Liturgy Committee will need a person to handle their table during the stewardship fair.
  - B. **Knights of Columbus:** The KOC will participate during Our Lady of Guadalupe mass and at the Christmas lunch.
  - C. **Finance Committee:** A report was submitted and can be found at the office. The fiscal year starts on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - D. **Maintenance Committee:** Rodney is recuperating and going to physical therapy.

**E. Other:**

Bishop Baker is back at home recuperating.

Thanksgiving drive is ongoing. Over 100 families will be served. Father Sexton mentioned that the parishioners have shown great support during the Thanksgiving Drive. Father Sexton emphasized that church members are supporting this ministry year after year.

**IV. Old Business:**

**A. Pastoral Council Retreat:** Carl went over the 3 goals established during the retreat. Each goal has a leader.

**First Goal (Karen Hand):** Improve the stewardship participating to get more people involved in activities. It should be a focus on how to serve people. Committees are 1 year commitment. Father Sexton suggested to increase it to 2-year commitment and noted that people should understand that the ministries are a call not a duty.

**Second Goal (Carl Rochford):** Improve the welcoming feeling at Our Lady of the Lake. Each pastoral council member will try to meet more people each week. Name tags will be ready by the end of the month. The church directory was done couple years ago probably should be done again in the next year or so. More details will be discuss next meeting.

**Third Goal (Stephen Reese):** Help improve the faith of our church family. This can be done by promoting prayers and maybe by creating prayers groups. Every leader will provide suggestions and comments/update every meeting.

**V. New Business:**

**A. Christmas Dinner:** Will take place December 14<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets will be out the weekend after Thanksgiving. Karen will ask Peter Boyle to sing Christmas Carols. Members of the youth group will help serve and clean up.

**B. Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration:** Will take place at the 8:30 mass. The Hispanic Ministry will be serving traditional Mexican food at the Christmas Lunch.

**C. Other announcements:** Carl asked for prayers for Reid Davis, a 6-month old baby who is going experimental treatment procedure in the next couple of days.

**D. Outreach Committee:** Serge started to contact people who were nominated by the council and Father Sexton to help on this committee and also he is putting together a list of people to contact.

**E. No meeting will be held on December. Merry Christmas!!!**

**VI. Closing Prayer:** Monsignor Sexton closed the meeting with prayer.

**Next meeting will be held on January 21, 2015.**