

**Our Lady Mount Carmel Church
Parish Council Meeting
Date: December 2012**

**Attendance: Fr. Ken, Peter, Linda, Teysy, Maguie, Scott, Marion, Gina,
Rob, Lucy, Carmen, Alyson**

Absent: Daryl

Call to Order: Peter Bender @ 9:00

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| Define "Parish Life" Ministry and assign a liaison | Purpose: to plan parish social events throughout the year. | It was decided to drop the idea of this ministry at this time. There are a variety of functions going on throughout the year by various ministries; it was felt this was redundant. | | |
| "Walk by Faith" questionnaire | Read over the report provided by Fr. Ken from 2009. Reviewed items that needed improvement at that time, and reflected on the changes made since then. | We have been able to improve in most areas of concern from the previous survey. Fr. Ken is compiling comments from Parish Council and others throughout the parish and will compile the report for the Diocese. | Fr. Ken | Mid Dec |
| Comments on Town meeting | Food was good, attendance somewhat light, presenters were good & insightful. Facility issues were concerning. | Can council help Hart with anything, is there more we can do to promote support in this area | Fr. Ken will talk to Hart | |
| Fr. Peter's Retirement | Will retire 12/31/11, will still be active in the parish. | Council encouraged to attend dinner celebration Jan 14 th | Gina will bring card to next PC mtg to sign | |
| Large Print Mass books | Are currently available at all masses – ask usher is needed | Allison was able to obtain free copies from Xavier Printing. We have large print and Braille copies available. She is working | | |

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| | | with Christa to try and provide better listening devices for the hearing impaired. | | |
| Port | Checking with Lisa Jones | Tina is considering combining ministries, and not having a particular group provide meal, instead, mix groups in an effort to build community in the parish. Update forthcoming on our date/time. | | |
| Ministry Liaison updates: | Lucy met with Kelly – she would like up to help promote the Christmas Pageant on 12/17. Linda met with Janet regarding the overall council-staff liaison program. Janet feels that since the council encouraged this program, we should set the parameters for it, and set pace for its usage. Marion met with Tina regarding Outreach – Shelving in the pantry needs fixed, falling down. | Council thinks this should be an issue driven program. Occasional meeting as deemed necessary for a particular need or issue. Father stated that the council should receive the minutes from the Staff meetings. Gina will contact Eileen to facilitate. The shelves are being fixed at this time, and the pantry itself will be moving, once the other facility updates are completed. | Tina | |

The next meeting has been scheduled for - January 7, 9 AM, Manion Hall

Meeting Adjournment: 11:15