

May 2012 PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
(5/8/2012, 7:15-8:10 PM, C+CC Sanctuary)

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| <u>Present:</u> | Fr. Edward Kacerguis (Pastor), James Brennan, Katherine Clemente, Wilson Crone, David Dziewulski, Fran Hyde, Paul Kraus, Philip Maas, Robert Thayer |
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Ms. Hyde opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes (P. Kraus):

- February minutes corrected and approved.
- March unofficial minutes: Ms. Clemente noted that more than ten parish families contributed, so that all housebound members of the parish were supplied with the rest going to Joseph's House (<http://www.josephshousetroy.org/>).

Chair Report (P. Kraus):

- Ongoing need to recruit new members to the Council; student role of presenting Council activities to the Rensselaer Newman Foundation Board.

Knights of Columbus Report (P. Maas):

- 5/1/2012: Installation of new officers.
- Plans for upcoming year include additional fundraising for Emmaus House (<http://www.catholicworker.org/communities/commlistall.cfm#NY>), raking and snow removal for homebound.
- Mr. Maas noted the very positive experience of the KOC national college council (<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/college/>) and would like to make sure that the upcoming Grand Knight would be able to attend in the fall to assist with transition to the position.

Newman Fellowship Report (P. Maas):

- 4/14/2012: Accepted Students Fair: moderate crowd.
- 4/28/2012: Relay for Life (http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr_id=40166); high participation and > \$1800 raised by Newman.
- 5/12/2012: preparation of baskets for Joseph's House before second annual barbeque in Prospect Park.
- 5/13/2012: Senior send-off dinner.

Pastor's Report (Fr. Kacerguis):

- Lenten series and Holy Week both went well. Speakers lined up for next year's theme of "Amazing God and Holy Spirit", with Bishop Hubbard to close the series.
- Sr. Clarisse Correia leaving to help develop Shrine for St. Elizabeth Seton (<http://www.setonheritage.org/>) and other properties of the Daughters of Charity. 4/29/2012: last day. Ongoing efforts to replace her partially with a permanent deacon.
- Plans on summer events include Troy Civic Theatre (<http://www.troycivic.org/seasons.htm>) and classical concerts.
- Tom Mattern and Fr. Kacerguis will have flyers for next year to the printers by June.
- New website for the Chapel and Cultural Center in the process of being designed and tested.
- Will need to evaluate by-laws for currency and relevance.
 - 6/4/2012: subcommittee of Mr. Thayer (chair), Mr. Brennan, Ms. Hyde, and Mr. Crone will address.
 - The goal will be to have the Pastoral Council more active, rather than as an advisory board.
- With respect to recruitment, for Board of Trustee meetings (12-4), representatives, preferably students, will be needed for presentations of the activities of the Knights of Columbus, the Newman Fellowship, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council.
- Elections for 2012-2013:
 - President: Paul Kraus
 - President-Elect: possibly Katherine Flynn
 - Secretary: Wilson Crone
 - Possible other recruits: Rick Gallo, Mike Jones, Adam Morton

The meeting concluded with prayer by Fr. Kacerguis.

Submitted By: Wilson Crone