

San Clemente Pastoral Council Meeting
18 January 2008

Father Doug called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

In attendance were Fr. Douglas Mitchell, President Ronnie Sinclair, Secretary Melissa Sais, Jim Armer, Priscilla Armer, Walter Baca, John Bieri, Rita Bieri, Bernie Bockisch, Miguel Campos, Donna Hickman, Emil Kiehne, Mary McClosky, Linda Mucher, Annette Perales, Dorothy Platte, Jerry Sais, Joaquin Sisneros, Rachel Sisneros, Matthew Torres, Gloria Trujillo, Rita Vessey and Eric Zamora.

Those absent were Theresa Baca (n), Brian Byrne (n), Jennifer Byrne (n), Ralph Chavez (n), Ron Mucher (n), Chuck Rumschlag, and Tom Vessey (n). [n=notified council of planned absence.]

Father Doug discussed the Parish Pastoral Plan. The council and its subcommittees are to have a draft complete by Easter. After that time the council will split into the Parish Life Committee and the Building Committee. The Parish Life Committee will present the plan to the parish.

While developing the draft, the subcommittees should look at each aspect of the plan items laid out for parishes by the archdiocese and decide if the parish 1.) is meeting that goal or addressing that item; 2.) doesn't need to address that item; or 3.) needs to address it and here is how.

Father Doug then left the meeting to attend the parish's Healthy Marriages workshop.

Shawna Farwell of the parish staff presented information on the archdiocese's Annual Catholic Appeal and relayed that Fr. Doug wanted council members to give a short talk on ACA and stewardship to each of the masses that weekend. The following weekend Fr. Doug would read the archbishop's letter to the archdiocese concerning ACA. The next weekend pledges would be taken. The archdiocese assigned San Clemente Parish a fundraising goal of \$55,000, with any excess pledges returning to the parish.

Council members speaking at the masses were: Ronnie Sinclair, Miguel Campos, Eric Zamora, Joaquin and Rachel Sisneros and Donna Hickman.

Subcommittee reports

Charity and Justice: Jerry Sais and Walter Baca presented a matrix of parish ministries and their impact on charity and justice issues, along with an assessment of Charity and Justice in the parish.(Appendix 180108 A and B)

Sacraments and Worship: Mary McCloskey reported that her group had met and focused on the education of parishioners on the Mass so that they could participate fully.

Stewardship and Administration: Rita Vessey, Jim and Priscilla Armer reported that their group has been assembled, but has not yet met.

Evangelization: Ronnie Sinclair reported that the committee has assessed and found areas to improve including welcoming of newcomers and enhancing the parish's public image through outreach to the community.

Prayer and Spirituality: Rachel and Joaquin Sisneros reported making an initial assessment.

Vocations: Committee has not met.

Consultation and Governance: Matt Torres reported committee's initial assessment. Believes use of enhanced web site may be important.

Ecumenism: Emil Kiehne and Bernie Bockisch reported difficulty in addressing this area as we are not interested in watering down Catholicism so we can work with other faiths. Council suggested areas of comment concern: pro-life issues, voting issues, Christian unity. Also suggested contacting the archdiocese for guidance.

Meeting adjourned at about 11:15 a.m.

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