

San Clemente Pastoral Council Meeting 7/21/07

Father Doug presented officers elected at the June meeting: Ronnie Sinclair, president; and Melissa Sais, secretary.

The meeting schedule was corrected to list the Jan. 2008 meeting on Jan. 19.

Father Doug presented the Parish Profile FACTS Sheets (Appendix A, pages 1-3) detailing general information and statistical facts about our parish. These were amended to reflect a church seating capacity of 1,000. It was also explained that the "Number of Registered Families" reflects those using offering envelopes or contributing by check. Further, mass attendance at the highest attended masses each weekend is between 400 and 500 individuals and total attendance per weekend is 1,500 to 2,000.

Father Doug also provided statistical information gathered on the 87031 zip code to help the council gain an understanding of our general community (Appendix A, pages 4-13). The council discussed the differences seen between the community statistics and what is observed in the parish. Differences include that the parish financial support is seen as high rather than somewhat low, preferred church style in our parish is seen as somewhat traditional to very traditional rather than contemporary, and that church program preference tends toward spiritual development rather than recreational.

Regarding the community and parish information

provided, Father Doug will further research and provide to the council:

- *The research company's definition of "Non-Historic Christian Tradition"

- *The research company's definitions of generational groups

- * A breakdown of Parish giving

Ronnie led the discussion to develop a Parish Mission Statement. Working off of contributions and comments from the council, the following mission statement was agreed upon:

San Clemente Parish is a Christ-centered community that **loves and serves our Lord and all His children** in accordance with the Gospel and in unity with the Holy Roman Catholic Church.

The council discussed development of a Pastoral Council Mission Statement. Each member is to review the "Pastoral Plan Implementation Guide for Parishes" and complete the Parish Assessment for discussion at the August meeting. With that assessment and the following mission contributed by Mary McCloskey, the council will develop its mission and goals.

The Mission of the Pastoral Council of San Clemente Parish as a Christ-centered community is to know and accommodate the needs of the community and uphold the teachings of the Church in obedience to the Holy Father. In sharing our gifts of time, talents and treasurers; and living values of integrity, caring and stewardship, we will serve and build community. Through evangelization we will promote the Baptism,

the Holy Eucharist, the Trinity and Life within the Church which leads to the eternal salvation of heaven.

Other suggested wording includes:

We, the members of the San Clemente Parish Pastoral Council in order to implement the mission of San Clemente Parish ...

Meeting adjourned at ~11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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