

St. Clare Parish Council Minutes

May 17, 2012

Council members present: Fr. Flanagan, Diane Zekind, Bob Rucker, Margie Stelzer, Charles Homa, Julie LeBrun, and Eileen Curran

I. Opening prayer - Margie

II. April Minutes - Reviewed and approved

III. Schedule for Council Members at Mass

May 20 - Bob

May 27 (Pentecost) - Margie

June 3 - Eileen

June 10 - Julie

June 17 (Fathers Day) - Jon Pryor ?

June 24 - Bob

IV. Pastor's Report

- a. Roof status - Isidro and Ken will complete the repairs in the near future; there are two areas left to work on.
- b. St. Clare/Father Beiting Weekend - This will be a 2-day celebratory event. The Parish community will honor Monsignor Ralph Beiting for his more than 50 years of service to the people of Appalachia, including the establishment of a mission chapel in Berea (St.Clare) in 1950. On Friday, August 10, 2012, there will be presentations and dinner in the Friendship Hall (Dinner at 6:00pm). Honored guests will include priests, women religious, deacons and pastoral associates who have served at St. Clare.

On Saturday, August 11, 2012, the Feast of St. Clare, Bishop Gainer will preside at a **4:00 P.M.** Mass and rededication of the new church building, in anticipation of the tenth anniversary. A reception will follow. There will be no 7:00 P.M. Mass on August 11th nor will there be a 5:00 P.M. Mass at Mount Vernon.

- c. Margie asked Father for an update on development of the parish communication website. Currently, all parish committees and other groups are being contacted for information to be posted on the site; the site should may be up and running by September.

V. Old Business

- a. Update of the St. Clare Parish Council Constitution - The council members worked on areas of the constitution that were in need of revision. These include: increasing the number of elected members from six (6) to nine (9); changing the date of election from January to April; increasing the number of scheduled meetings from six (6) to seven (7); and changing the office of directors to liaison positions. Diane will draft the changes and send copies to the council members prior to the next meeting.
- b. New Parish Council Members: Elaine Bobzin, Javier Clavere, and Tom Karasienski have agreed to serve 3-year terms on the council. Their names will be announced at Mass and in the bulletin.
- c. Election for 2012-13. Julie nominated Diane for re-election as President of the Parish Council. Margie seconded the nomination and the vote was unanimous. Diane accepted and stated that she was honored to serve again.

VI - VIII. Due to time constraints, there were no committee/group reports, other or new business.

IX. Closing prayer - Julie

Next Meeting: June 28, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. Please note the date and time change.

Opening prayer - Eileen

Minutes - Margie

Closing prayer - Charles

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Curran