

## In attendance:

Ted Polk, chair

Paul Aichele, vice-chair

Paula Boll

Roland Catherall

Jim Connell

Mike Harrison

John Jurecko

Randy Nipper

Ann Oakley

Sue Zimmer

Bill Zorc

Rena Calanca

## Absent:

Fr. John Hennessey

Russ Lehocky

Gerrie Neville

Gerry Salzman

## Guests:

Kevin Murphy

Kathleen O'Connor

Catherine Sims

On this snowy night, we broke open the Word and reflected on the scripture reading for this coming Sunday. Roland gave a brief recap of the Joe Study results and reported that the leadership group of the Task Force has three more meetings this month. The first two will be an impact seminar with Chris Brown from the Gallup Organization on 12/10 and 12/17, and on 12/30, the task force leadership group will meet to determine two-five action items for recommendation and for dialogue with the larger servant leadership group. On 1/7 they will meet again to discuss logistics. The Task Force, which was represented at this meeting by Roland Catherall, Ann Oakley, Kathleen O'Connor, and Kevin Murphy, would like for staff to attend the January 12 Parish Pastoral Council meeting for further conversation of the action points, one of which may deal with expectations: What is expected of me as a parishioner? What is expected of me as a staff member? What is expected of me as a member of PPC? A commission head? And what can I expect from the others in those groups? Members of numerous leadership groups have expressed a desire to identify those expectations, and it is hoped that this will take place during the upcoming conversations among leadership groups.

Catherine Sims then explained the Catholics Come Home campaign and process that the Archdioceses of Chicago, Joliet, and Rockford are sponsoring in December and January, and the activities that are in place at St. Joseph to respond to this campaign. The activities include formation sessions for newcomers and new signage to better indicate the front and side entrances.

Sue Zimmer and her husband, Tom, attended the November 21 meeting of the Archdiocesan Parish Council meeting with Cardinal George, and Sue reported that the translation of the Roman Missal will be ready in March 2010 and the focus of the archdiocese for January will be "peacemakers in the neighborhood". Sue suggested that we sign up for action alerts at the USCCB website.

Randy Nipper told of the success of the Feed My Starving Children project that was spearheaded by Holy Cross Lutheran Church and funded in part by St Joseph parish. Over one million meals were packed, as were the Lake County Fairgrounds, with groups from all over Lake County joining in this ministry. Lake County United is actively promoting the rebuilding of Winchester House and there is an education initiative called W2C: Waukegan to College that is also in the works.

Parish Pastoral Council members will save the date of Saturday February 27 for their annual winter Day of Renewal / Retreat. Those members of PPC who are also certified Spiritual Companions may be called upon to prepare and facilitate that day's activities.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rena Calanca