

November 2012 PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
(11/12/2012, 6:15-7:15 PM, C+CC Sanctuary)

<u>Present:</u>	Fr. Edward Kacerguis (Pastor), James Brennan, Katherine Clemente, Miriam Efken, Kathleen Flynn, Frederick Gallo, Fran Hyde, Paul Kraus, Michael Jones, Philip Maas, Robert Thayer
<u>Excused</u>	Wilson Crone

Fr. Kacerguis opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes and Chair report (P. Kraus):

- Approval of October 2012 minutes deferred.
- 10/18/2012: Report to Rensselaer Newman Foundation regarding Pastoral Council activities.

Pastor's Report (Fr. Kacerguis):

- Building:
 - Pointing on all but South face on track for completion before end of season (roughly 12/1/2012), when the weather prevents proper mortar setting.
 - Continued removal of existing vermiculite insulation and replacement with Pearlite (treated to be water impermeable).
 - Doors and windows to be caulked before end of the season as well.
- Committee of 100 Dinner (10/26/2012):
 - Capital Campaign, with \$2.3 million goal (\$800,000 to date) announced, with focus on building renovation, program fund, and investment fund.
 - Sun and Balance award, to Rosanne Rose and Larry Mitter (class of 1953).
- Upcoming events:
 - Flyers for Thanksgiving, Christmas, Lenten Wednesdays.
- Christmas:
 - Per Liturgical Commission: seven foot tree to be placed under Christ Sun of Justice painting, with students able to write their name on a slip of paper and these will go into balls onto the Christmas tree (during 12/9/2012). This will demonstrate a symbolic remembrance of students as they are away from the campus during the Christmas season.
- Holy Hour for Life:
 - 12/6/2012: to be led by Frank Bruning.

Newman Fellowship Report (K. Flynn):

- Sunday dinners after 5 PM Mass, drawing > 30 individuals.
- Ongoing planning for spring retreat (within two hours of RPI).
- 10/21/2012: Apple pie selling during Family Weekend; 32 pies, 20 crisps. Planning to develop a pie procedure manual for future officers.
- 10/31/2012: Halloween party set up and following Midnight Mass for All Saints Day went well.
- 11/10/2012: Hospitality House Cleaning completed.
- 11/12/2012: Open business meeting.
- Service Projects before end of fall term:
 - Planned for support of Joseph's House.
 - Caroling
 - Bell-ringing for Salvation Army.

Knights of Columbus Report (P. Maas):

- 10/21/2012: Coffee Hour after 10:30 Mass (with T.Sanders).
- 10/28/2012: Service: meal preparation at Joseph House.
- 11/3/2012: Light bulb maintenance at St. Augustine's Church; concern of safety with non-professionals at high points.
- 11/10/2012: KOC members in RPI Players Performance of "Much Ado About Nothing".
- Ongoing Rosary praying.
- Planned participation with Clothe-A-Child.

- “For Greater Glory” (<http://www.forgreaterglory.com/>) movie to be used by other groups before the end of the fall term.
- 12/2/2012: Christmas card sales (individual and boxes) start.

Old Business (P. Kraus):

- Pastoral Council photos updated, with review before release to the community.
- Review of by-laws and updating as needed, led by R. Thayer, approved with minor corrections.

The meeting concluded with prayer by Fr. Kacerguis.

Submitted By: Wilson Crone, from notes by F. Gallo