

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date: Mar 21, 2013**

**Place: Parish Activities Center**

Fr. Colarusso	P	Dino Cuscuna	P	Dennis Ebert	-	Carmen O'Rourke	P
Deacon Sumner	P	Janice DeHart	P	Joanne Fitzpatrick	P	Freddy Santosuosso	-
Erica Bukowski	P	Rosemarie DeLacy	P	Roc O'Connell	P		

P = Present at meeting

Meeting commenced at 7:50 PM with an opening prayer by Rosemarie DeLacy.

**1. Review of previous meeting minutes**

Minutes from the Feb. 2013 meeting were unanimously accepted as written.

**2. Review/Edit proposed agenda/assign timekeeper**

Proposed meeting agenda was accepted and Roc volunteered to act as timekeeper.

**3. Parishioner Comments**

A Parishioner asked, via a PPC member, if copies of meeting minutes could again be made available at back of church. *Already being done, per action item from February meeting - ensure that office staff makes copies of minutes available at the back of the church.* NOTE: Approved PPC Meeting minutes are also available on the Parish website <http://www.stathanasiusreading.org/ppcminutes>

**4. Pastor Update:**

- Church interior renovations
  - Architect, James Hundt selected.
  - Working with Archdiocese on approvals (e.g. contract signing).
  - Three Brainstorming/Decision-making meetings to be held April 3, 4, and 25 to provide the architect with needs, project scope and concept review. Architect will incorporate input to create 1 or 2 final design concepts that address items such as Sanctuary aesthetic enhancements, asbestos abatement, lighting repair/replacement.
  - Phase-approach may need to be considered depending on project costs and funds available. Ceiling is the top priority.
- Lent
  - Children Stations of the Cross will be held on March 22, following those that have been held for adults on Fridays during Lent.
  - Preparations underway with staff and lay leaders for Holy Week.
  - Eucharist will be received under both species starting Holy Thursday.

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**Pastor Update, continued**

- The “Light is on for You” confession is held Wednesday evenings during Lent. Simultaneous choir practice continues to add to the spiritual atmosphere of the evening. Fr. Dan had to assist Fr. Colarusso with the 20+ people this week.
- *Aside: Several PPC members, noted that they have seen more families with young children at the 4:00 Mass.*

**5. New Business**

- Suggestion was made to re-air Catholicism series during the summer.
- Follow-up from the February meeting, PPC members presented ideas and brainstormed potential activities for Ministry development/support and Evangelization.
  - Greeter Ministry and Usher ministry enhancements – Dino  
*NOTE: all PPC members are expected as part of their role to introduce themselves to visitors and new parishioners.*
  - Welcoming Ministry (Lisa Tavoletti ministry lead) - Dino
  - Summer Bible camp to connect/reconnect with families with young children (discuss with Jo-Ann Rossi) - Fr. Colarusso
  - Wedding Vow Renewal Celebration Mass and Dinner – Rosemarie
  - Recommend Reading Booklist on website (ask John Silva to setup) – Dino
  - Book Club live and/or on-line (solicit parishioner to lead) – Dino
  - Start a Catholic Daughters of America Court or other Women’s Sodality group (Maryanne Cuscuna investigating) – Dino
  - Wine Tasting (Parish Finance Council) – *need specific PFC member name(s) to own*
  - Volunteer Appreciation Night (Parish Pastoral Council) - *need specific PPC member name(s) to own*
  - (Summer) Movie Night – no owner assigned
  - “All-ages game night” organized by families in Religious Education program – no owner assigned
  - Playground area (attraction for children providing opportunity for parents to meet and stay around longer after Mass) – no action will be taken due to liability insurance costs and concerns about neighbors.
  - **ACTION ITEM: Please provide status updates for your or your designee’s projects via email to PPC mailing list by April 18.**
- PPC member selection process (no discussion due to lack of time)  
**ACTION ITEM: Compile and distribute list of various methods used at other parishes. Owner: Dino Due: 4 Apr 2013.**

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- **Develop Agenda for next meeting**

- Due to April school vacation week, there will be no PPC meeting in April.
- In lieu of meeting, work on your Evangelization projects and provide update per action item above.
- May agenda to include update on Evangelization projects and PPC member selection process.

**6. Closing Prayer – Fr. Colarusso**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM**

**Next Meeting:**        May 16, 2013  
                                 Adoration: 7:00-7:30 PM  
                                 Meeting: ~7:30 –9:00 PM  
                                 Opening prayer: Freddy Santosuosso

**Respectively submitted, Dino F. Cuscuna**