

## **PPC Meeting Notes – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2007**

***Attendees: Celeste Braga, Joe Braga, Dawn Caissie., Greg Gallagher, Tony Ippolito, Shelia Mahoney, Gerry McDonald, Rosalyn McHugh, Jennifer McHugh, Mike Mercuri, Kristen Ogar, George Perkins, Mary Pieciewicz, Phil Ricuitti, Frank Ramsbottom, Christine Togneri, Fr. Walter***

The novena for Fr Steve is underway and attendance has been good. Assignments for prayer leaders are as follows:

February 21 – Celeste Braga

February 28 – Rosalyn McHugh

March 7 – George Perkins

March 14- Phil Ricuitti

March 21 – March 28 – Frank Ramsbottom will check with Carolyn Flynn (HCHS) to see if any students would like to volunteer for the last 2 prayer sessions.

Fr Walter gave an update on the staffing of an additional priest at St Michael's for the short term. Fr. Joel Grisham will begin assisting Fr. Walter on Ash Wednesday. Fr. Joel will be assigned for the short term and reside at Marist House in Framingham, but be at St. Michaels during the day. In June, Fr. Walter will review the situation with the Archdioceses.

Members of the Parish Council will attend the next meeting of the Finance Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> March. Frank Ramsbottom, Phil Ricuitti, Tony Ippolito, and Rosalyn McHugh will inquire on how the Parish Council can assist in raising parish funds to avoid deficit spending in the future.

Shelia Mahoney and the Stewardship committee are in the process of getting more Stewardship Informational Booklets printed. Once the additional 500 copies are available, Fr. Walter will stress the need for parishioners to participate in Stewardship committees. (The Informational Books will also be posted on the Parish Website.) There is an urgent need to staff the bereavement, young adult and hospitality committees over the next couple of months. As part of the RCIA program, all new candidates are asked to choose a parish ministry as part of their preparation. There has also been the establishment of a Parish Reading Group under Stewardship and the group will meet on March 2. For more info, contact Shelia at 978 562 3148.

Tickets for the Men and Women's Conference are available by contacting Immaculate Conception Church in Marlboro.

Bulletin Board for the Church – Fr. Walter will work Dot Haley to get the 45' X 60' board installed for the display of Parish related posters and announcements. The new bulletin board will be in place by the beginning of the summer. Hopefully this will eliminate any non-Parish announcements from being placed in the back of the Church.

It was decided that the Parish will host a Family Picnic in late August. Rosalyn McHugh will contact the Hudson Elks to see what dates in August the Pavilion is available. The focus of the

next PPC meeting will be on planning and getting more members involved in hosting this event. The Mardi Gras event was cancelled for 17 February.

For the next PPC meeting, Fr. Walter requested that members come up with ideas for a Pro-Life program for next year's Feast of the Annunciation.

The next PPC meeting will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of March in the Parish Center at 7 PM. Shelia Mahoney will facilitate the meeting. (The meeting is a week earlier than the regular scheduled 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month meeting.)