

The meeting began at 7:05PM with prayer and reflection provided by Ellen. In attendance were Pat Brody, Norm Carpenter, Father Steve, Ellen Romett, Deb Dawson, and Nancy Seibel. Absent members: Dan and Pat Coyle, Bob Seibel, Marty McClure, Lori Altman, Deacon Mitch.

PASTORAL CONCERNS—Parish census. Marty provided a script for members to refer to when calls to parishioners are made. Nancy will revise and add items discussed by members, and will include with the minutes for approval. The New Roman Missal changes to be implemented during Advent 2011. Father Steve provided a list of annulment advocates for Butler County. They will be made available on the website with the parish minutes. Discussion was held concerning having an evening with the tribunal at St. Paul Church. Date will be forthcoming.

January 25, 2012- 40 hours of adoration. Father Steve asked the members how big this event should be. It was decided that it should be kept simple. Volunteers are needed; there will be a sign up sheet available for one hour time slots. Volunteers can cover more than one hour, and drop-ins are encouraged. Father Steve will notify the Butler Police of the adoration, and that the church will be open for the 40 hours.

NEW PASTORAL CONCERNS—Father Farrell will be visiting St. Paul, December 1, 2011 to gather information from staff, church records, Deacon Mitch, Pastoral Council and the Finance Committee. He will meet with the Parish Council and the Finance Committee from 7-9PM on that day. Council Members should be prepared to express their concerns they may have and provide information to him.

The use of Glenn Hall was discussed. Father Steve has offered Glenn Hall for funeral lunches, anniversaries and church related fundraisers. He wanted input on whether the hall should be open for other functions, noting that if so, charges would be needed to cover insurance by the diocese. At this time, the hall is available to church related functions at Father Steve's discretion, accepting donations to the church for the use.

Ellen brought up the Churches' Christmas decorations. She was approached to see if new ones can be purchased. Father Steve approved the request, and Ellen will move forward with this. The Church is on the Butler Symphony House tour held November 19th. Ellen will provide cornucopias and fresh arrangements for the tour. The docent committee will be available to provide the history of the church. The newsletter was well done; the next one will be published next year.

HOMEWORK—Members are to come prepared with issues for Father Phil. Light refreshments will be provided by Parish Council members. Nancy will coordinate. The next meeting will be December 1, 2011 at 7:00PM, no meeting December 8th.