

**St. Edward Church Pastoral Council Minutes  
October 15, 2009**

Exc.	Father Kopacek	X	Vicki Parsons	X	Emily Nelson
X	Gina Burg	X	Sean Schott	X	Jolene Kneeland
Exc	Fred Freese	X	Teri Berry	Abs	Dawn Smith
X	Milt Dakovich	X	Jim Schaefer		
Exc	Cristina Ortiz	Exc	Andrea Berns		
X	Marilyn Thornton	X	Jim Koch		

Milt Dakovich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Jolene Kneeland led us in prayer. The September minutes were read and approved.

**Discussion Items/Action/Education**

**Guest Speaker – Mary Pedersen, CVCS Campus Ministry**

Mary Pedersen spoke to the Council and gave an overview of her duties as CVCS Campus Ministry person. Because there is no full time pastoral presence at Columbus Catholic High School, she helps to fill that void by being at the school. Mary plans the Masses held at Columbus and also has a Monday morning prayer group. She has implemented a faith sharing for the freshmen and sophomores that volunteers come to the school and share with small groups of students. Other areas – Service Club, Respect Life Club, Liturgy Committee.

**Fence Discussion**

Milt shared copies of a form letter that Fr. Kopacek received regarding removal of the fence. The letters were requesting to not remove the fence. Council members were asked if they had received any comments regarding the fence removal. At this time, no Council members had received calls or communication from the Parish. It was noted again, that the fence and a sign that is being discussed are two separate actions.

**Youth Report – Emily Nelson**

Emily gave the Youth report. Some upcoming events:

- October 18 – Operation Paperback (sending paperback books to soldiers)
- Peer Ministry

**In-service Meeting – Discussion**

Milt and Vicki passed out the Parish Pastoral Council Guidelines that were presented at the meeting held on October 4. Vicki briefly reviewed the presentation held and informed the Council that St. Edward is following most of the guidelines but may need to update some areas.

**Educational Topics and Guest Speakers**

Milt asked for suggestions for guest speakers at the Pastoral Council meetings. If there is an area that anyone would like to hear about or addressed, please contact Milt.

**Perpetual Adoration Volunteers – December**

Milt asked for volunteers – December 6-Vicki Parsons; December 13-Gina Burg; December 20-Jolene Kneeland; December 27-Open

**Calendar**

November 19 – Carol Luce – CVCS Service Learning and Leadership Coordinator  
December 17 – Christmas Social – 6:30 Meeting; 7:00 social (spouses invited)

## **Other Business:**

### **Upcoming Events**

- October 25 – 27 – “Be a Blessing for Others” Mission with Fr. Dave Shatz

### **Thank You Notes**

**Cristina Ortiz – Fall Festival**

### **Pastor’s Comments**

Fr. Kopacek was absent. Council members requested that Karol Rae ask Father to give additional information to the Parish at Mass regarding the hand shaking and partaking of the wine during the flu season.

### **Committee Reports:**

Social Concerns – report received

Haitian Twinning Committee and Okolona

Liturgy Committee – report received. Marilyn mentioned that a new style of missalette will be used in the future.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – report received

Finance Committee – report received

Youth Ministry – report given

Education and Faith Formation Committee – report received

Deanery Report –

Stewardship – report received – Teri asked that the Council members provide dessert for the January 31 volunteer luncheon being planned. More information to follow.

CVCS Board of Education –report received

Milt Dakovich adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be November 19, 2009.