

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 17, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Father Fred, with Kathy leading the prayer.

Members attending: Gary Chmielewski, Kathy Crisman, Michael Deming,
Deacon Tom Grant, Mary Kella, Janine Marrone, Father Fred Tillotson

Excused absence: Doris Brodeur, Pat Tyler

- Minutes approved: moved to approve Kathy Crisman, seconded Janine Marrone

- Pastor's Report:
 1. Father distributed copies of the upcoming October 19/20 Bulletin which lists the 2012-2013 Financials, and which Deacon Tom will then highlight at all Masses.
 2. David Langvin, our current Music Director, will be leaving the area the end of this month. Advertisements have gone out for a replacement and two potential candidates will be interviewed this coming week.
 3. The ongoing study programs are progressing well, with good attendance and positive feedback.

- Old Business:
 1. Gary reported that the Ministry meeting went well; all seems to be running smoothly; the usual problem with no-shows continues. Donna Pierson is working to coordinate family schedules.
 2. The Website, which Linda and Donna are taking on, should be ready in the very near future.
 3. Evangelization efforts need a more positive response. Cathy suggested "testimonials" could be published in the Bulletin to showcase events.

- Actions:
 1. Members are asked to consider items to be included in a "Dream List"; e.g., parish needs, outreach possibilities, etc.
 2. Deacon Tom and his wife will host a Thanksgiving dinner at the church for parishioners (single or couples) who would be alone on the holiday. Details will be forthcoming.
 3. Christmas gifts will again be requested for the Immokalee children. Ideas are being sought for another possible Christmas charitable outreach.
 4. Members should consider their choice for either 2-or 3-year term limits, to be decided at the November meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Deacon Tom, seconded by Mike Deming at 5:30 p.m.

The next meeting: November 21, 2013

Prayer: Fr. Fred

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kella
Secretary

Father Frederick J. Tillotson, O.Carm
Pastor
Gary Chmielewski
Vice Chairperson