

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION/ACTIONS**  
**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**May 7, 2014**

An item will appear in the parish bulletin and newsletter soliciting membership for Parish Pastoral Council.

Proposed amendments to the constitution had been sent to Council members by email. There was no discussion and action will be taken at the June meeting. Sections to be amended are:

- Article II – Responsibility, B. 7 – strike reference to times of Parish Town Hall meetings and insert “at the request of the pastor.”
- Article III – Voting and Membership
  - Strike entire first paragraph in this Article
  - B. Strike “enjoy the same privileges and” in the second line
  - C. Strike in entirety
  - Re-letter “D” and “E” to “C” and “D”
- Article IV – Officers – strike “and from non-ex officio” in second line

Copy for the parish directory is with the printing company. The next step is proof-reading it before final publication.

St. Cecilia Parish will be the site for the Bosco Bash for middle school students. This event is sponsored by the Diocesan Office of Youth Ministry.

Primary elections were held in the parish center on May 6; the parish received payment for the space, etc.

TV monitors were donated to Seton Parish, which shared about 25 with St. Cecilia. They were placed in the school rooms, school hall, meeting rooms, and other spaces.

The pastor and the school principal are meeting with every family registering students in the school and receiving a lot of feedback. They are looking forward to an increase in school enrollment next year. The tuition rate has been set, with no increase. The Diocese is still in negotiations about teachers’ contracts.

Chris Tuttle, who has completed pre-theology studies, will be the seminary intern at St. Cecilia this summer.

Fr. Connolly will accompany the eighth grade students on their trip to New York City.

The Religious Education report had been sent to all Council members via email and copies were available at the meeting. Included were reports on Confirmation, First Holy Communion, PSR, Children’s Liturgy of the Word, and Vacation Bible School. Certification classes for catechists will be held at St. Cecilia this summer; these classes are open to any and all parishioners who may be interested in adult faith formation. Twelve people were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil: 5 adults and 3 children were baptized and 4 adults completed full initiation into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. During Lent about 35 people studied *The Lamb’s Supper: Mass as Heaven on Earth* by Scott Hahn; tentative plans are to continue additional studies in the coming year. Consideration is being given to offering Level 2 (Grades 1-3) of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd to PSR students. Confirmation will be held on Monday, April 27, 2015.

The last EDGE night of the year will be held May 16. Fifth grade students are invited as guests. Registration materials will be sent to eligible students as well as distributed in the school and PSR; other promotion activities are being considered. The event will include dinner and games.

The Festival Planning Committee met on April 30. There are chairpersons for all booths, but co-chairs are needed for the silent auction, cake booth, and children’s games. They discussed the games, lighting, and other booths, including the Festival Web Site and volunteer recruitment. Future meetings are scheduled for May 28, July 16, and August 6.

The West Deanery celebration of Corpus Christi is scheduled at St. Cecilia on Sunday, June 22.

Attendance at the Lenten Fish Fries was up from last year. The KC Blood Drive is scheduled for May 15. Nomination of officers will be held at the KC meeting on May 8, with election scheduled for the June meeting.

The St. Vincent dePaul Society referred questions about donations of furniture and clothing to other agencies. There is not enough storage space for winter clothing items.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be **Wednesday, June 4, 2014.**