

**SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION/ACTIONS
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
St. Cecilia Church
June 4, 2014**

The regular meeting of the St. Cecilia Church Parish Pastoral Council was held on June 4, 2014.

The amendments to the constitution as presented at the May meeting were adopted.

All adult members of the Parish Pastoral Council whose terms expire June 30 will continue for another three-year term (2014-2017). Julia Hall has graduated from high school and another person will be named to represent the youth of the parish.

The West Deanery Corpus Christi celebration will be held at St. Cecilia Church on June 22.

The school is investigating the purchase of an electronic sign to be placed on the property which will post events and messages. This will be funded by a donation as well as a gift from the eighth grade class. It was suggested that the structure blend with the architecture of the building (e.g., stone).

The Feast of the Assumption, August 15, falls on Friday this year so Council approved moving the traditional Ice Cream Social to June 29, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass and recognizing the service of Sharon Silleck, Dottie March, and Mary Beth Aeh who are leaving employment with the parish. The event will be held in the Parish Center.

Vacation Bible School will be held June 23-27.

PSR will resume after Labor Day. Teachers and the DRE will meet soon to discuss the materials and schedules.

All chairs for the Parish Festival have been named, but a co-chair is needed for the Children's Games. Start-up on Saturday will be at 3:00 p.m. Two websites are being set up: The target audience for one will be parishioners to solicit volunteers, provide updates, etc.; the other will be to inform the public about the festival (dates, places, costs, ...).

A group of men from the parish will meet this summer to discuss forming a men's fellowship group. Deacon Jack Malone will investigate interest in a similar effort among the women.

The Knights of Columbus will elect officers for 2014-2015 at the June meeting. A final report on the fish fries is expected at that time. The next blood drive will be held in July.

Warren Wright has been elected president of the Diocesan St. Vincent DePaul Society.

At the end of the fourth week of the eight-week Bishop's Annual Appeal, the parish pledges amounted to \$62,183 which is more than half the parish's goal.

The next meeting of the West Deanery is September 22.

Steve Brezny did an IT assessment for the school and parish.

The replacement for the retiring school secretary has been selected and the transitioning is underway. Interviews of applicants for the position of director of the preschool will begin June 5. Several applications have been received for the director of liturgical music position; it may be necessary to divide the duties of this position (organist and choir director, for instance).

The parish has received a \$27,000 grant towards the replacement of the roof over the Parish Activity Center. Another grant will be used to upgrade the communication system which the school and preschool use for fire drills, recesses, etc.

The receipts from bingo are about 25 percent higher than budgeted. Father has published a letter to school parents about the importance of helping with bingo and the festival.

School enrollment is expected to be higher next year as some new students are anticipated. Twenty-one students will graduate on June 5. There are 12 students in the seventh grade this year.

The gardening group is active, with volunteers working at various times nearly every day.

There are one or two openings on the annual pilgrimage to Our Lady of Consolation in Carey, Ohio.

There will be some changes in priest assignments due to deaths, illnesses, and retirements. Two priests and five transitional deacons were ordained this year.

The teachers' contract has been settled and Father has signed the contracts with St. Cecilia School teachers. Other employees will have a "letter of understanding" which includes their conformity to Catholic moral teaching, etc. The audit on "Protecting God's Children" is underway; the parish is in compliance.

The sound system in the church has been repaired.

Eucharistic adoration has been cancelled for July 4 and 5 because of the holiday.

The next regular meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be **Wednesday, September 3, 2014**, at which election of officers will be held. If necessary, special meetings may be called during the summer.