

# St. Cletus Parish Council Meeting Minutes July 23, 2012

**In Attendance:** Lynn Owen, Tony Scoggin, Al Rothermich, Chris Unterreiner, Celeste Leuck, Fr. Jim Benz, Mary Kay Agnew, Mike Mohrmann, Donna Pundmann, Deacon Mark McCarthy  
**Excused:** Dan Pelikan, Deb Young, Laurie Steinkamp, Mary Bryne **Guest:** Denise Quirk

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**Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and opened with Evening Prayer**

**Minutes of June 25, 2012 meeting were approved as submitted**

## **Discussion Items**

Denise Quirk, the school's PTO President, joined us and talked about the fundraisers the PTO organizes including the annual trivia night, Market Day, and the STP (Share the Profits) program. The STP program raised \$50,000 this last school year. A \$50,000 CD was cashed in and a committee was formed to determine how to invest the funds in the school. Shelving and storage was installed, the library's computerization was completed and a laptop cart was purchased among other things. With enrollment decreasing, a challenge will be for the PTO to maintain the momentum the STP program has generated. Denise also spoke of the changes to the PTO leadership, moving from a 2-year commitment to a 3-year commitment. Denise estimated approximately 40% of families volunteer time in some way.

The committee believes that the parish needs to know more about the work that PTO has done, including a spotlight in the Sunday bulletin.

Celeste created the survey on SurveyMonkey.com. Link: <http://tinyurl.com/stcletussurvey> (redirecting to [www.surveymonkey.com/s/zqnyx2s](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/zqnyx2s)). The online version differs from the hard copy slightly, and it was decided we would just go with what we have. Some minor edits were suggested to the introductory text. The survey will be distributed via the school packet (8/16), bulletin (8/19), PSR (8/20), via email and The Finish Line soon after, with a return date of September 15.

Mary Bryne, Lynn Owen and possibly Tony Scoggin will be attending the Archdiocese's "Home Visitation Workshop."

## **Formation: USCCB's Fortnight For Freedom: Our First, Most Cherished Liberty**

The Fortnight for Freedom was discussed. Heavy emphasis in the media has been placed on the HHS mandate and the Affordable Care Act in general. This has become THE big issue as election time approaches. Citizens should be more responsible by investigating the issues for themselves and not absorbing what others are saying on important issues.

## **Pastor's Time**

Fr. Benz has ordered copies of a book by Pope Benedict which we will be using for future formation portions of the council's meetings. There is a prayer vigil on August 6 for the election primaries. Fr. Henke is leaving on August 11. The school year begins on August 8.

Mary Kay will likely be leaving us before our next meeting to accept a position in Maryland.

*Agenda Meeting to be determined by Executive Committee*

*Next Meeting August 27, 2012, at 7pm*