

## **Cluster 21 Pastoral Council**

Sunday, February 10, 2008

Upper Sacristy, Cathedral

**Present:** Peter Lancia, Sr. Theresa Rand, Fr. Richard Bertrand, S.J., Peter Donnelly, Msgr. Paul Stefanko, Peter Gribbin , Greg St. Angelo, Dan Chuhta, Fr. Kevin Martin, Lori Arsenault

### **Minutes**

1. Report on Disciples in Mission - Fr. Kevin Martin reported on the first week of Disciples in Mission throughout the Cluster. Over 300 people are participating from this Cluster, not counting some of the foreign language communities and the adults and children at Cathedral School. The council agreed that a printed report or article should appear about Disciples in Mission in Cluster 21.

2. Structure and Mission Report – Peter Lancia and Sr. Theresa Rand  
The changes discussed at the last meeting were accepted, and the final copy will be distributed to the Council by e-mail, and then placed on the Web site as such.

#### 3. Communication

Sharing of bulletin information continues, and the next meeting of the bulletin editors on February 27 will help to determine how this can be improved or used, and whether the initial thoughts about a combined bulletin cover is still the best way to go, or perhaps a cluster insert would be better.

The Council agreed that it would be good to add a counter on the Web site, and that the next upcoming activities should show up on the front page

4. The Lenten Penitential Service will be held at Cathedral on Monday, March 17, 2008 at 7 p.m. Suzanne Proulx will be asked if she is available to lead a cluster-wide music ministry.

4. Needs assessment questions were reviewed and a brainstorming list was made.

- Youth Ministry
- Marriage Preparation
- Alienated Catholics
- RCIA
- Baptism
- Small Groups, DM in progress
- School outreach
- Church/Parish as an anchor – communication
- Liturgy of the word for Children
- Children's Mass
- Training for ministries, all doing it
- Family based education

- Catechesis – Faith formation programs – logistics
- Marriages – Family Life Enrichment
- Town meeting
- Cluster collaboration
- Bulletins / Web sites
- Annual review / Performance evaluations
- Who needs help – identifying people
- ADA accessibility
- SPRED
- Interpreters
- Procedures for notifying about people in the hospital
- Who needs help? Identifying people.
- Citizenship / refugee support
- Newcomer program support
- Resources for the poor
- Social Justice / Social Teaching
- Stewardship – same people all the time
- Involving new people, talents
- Financial support
- How do we pay for things in common? Cluster costs.
- Month of counting people
- Get to know people – build community.

Peter Lancia identified four goals areas emerging:

- Catechesis
- Evangelization for the unchurched and sick
- Communicate well and carefully
- Business

At the next meeting, these items will be discussed in more detail, a set of goals will be agreed upon, and the council will break into committees to follow through on meeting the goals.

Next meeting: March 9, SHSDP, 2 p.m., Communications, Leadership needs review, Identify goals and break into small groups.

Adjourned at 4 p.m.

Submitted by Lori Arsenault