Pastoral Council Minutes – St. Vincent de Paul October 19, 2010

Members Present: Ann Bergman, Mark Curwick, Ann Fauteck, Ryan Kaplan, Tom McMullen, Nancy Moorman, Andrew Rem, Fr. Jack Long, Fr. Chue Vang, Norm Olafson and Tim Phenow.

Recorder: Janet Ardolf

Agenda Items:

1. Council reviewed and approved minutes of 9-21-10

2. Sub-Goal Discussion

- Pastoral Council members were asked to vote on the sub goal they believed critical
 and most important. Members voting for Leadership were as follows: Tom
 McMullen, Father Jack and Ryan Kaplan. Members voting for Active Involvement
 were as follows: Mark Curwick, Ann Fauteck, Norm Olafson, Ann Bergman,
 Andrew Rem, Nancy Moorman
- The Pastoral Council discussed two sub-goals, Active Involvement and Leadership.
 This discussion lead to a consensus decision determining Active Involvement would be a sub-goal.

3. LDT Update

- Nancy reported the LDT met a week ago. Training sessions will be provided as needed. Work on goals and objectives for each commission will be finalized and completed by January.
- Commission Member Position Description was handed out for PC members to review. Be prepared to discuss at November meeting.
- Repository is needed for the Commission members to report highlights of their meetings and the work they are doing.
- Mark Curwick is familiar with various technologies available for recording information and offered his help to work with Carolyn Halbur and Jean Landman to determine which system will work best and then get the selected technology up and running.

4. Discernment Night Planning

- Discussion of Tentative dates for Discernment Night Planning were as follows:
 - 02-27-11 Kick Off from Pulpit
 - 03-06-11 Nominations/Sign Up Table
 - 03-13-11 Information Night
 - 03-15-11 Everyone invited to attend Commission Meetings
 - 03-22-11 Second Information Night Discernment Night
- Finalization of Discernment Planning schedule was tabled for further discussion at the November pastoral council meeting.
- Mark Curwick, Ann Fauteck and Andrew Rem will head up sub committee to meet

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in Nov/Dec formalizing details for LDT, Staff, Commission Involvement and PC.

5. Pastors Report.

- Father Jack reported that he thought Archbishop Nienstedt did a good job of explaining the changes and Strategic Plan for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Merging of parishes and schools were needed to ensure the health of the Church would be sustainable today and for generations to come. Demographic shifts, economic pressures, number of priests, lay pastoral leaders and the needs for the Church population required an action plan to support parishes, schools and Church community in our growing and changing world. Father Jack was happy to report that St. Vincent de Paul Parish/School would not be impacted by parish and school closings.
- Father Jack also reported that he thought Archbishop Nienstedt did a good job of explaining Marriage in the DVD. Marriage and procreation based upon God's Natural Law. Suggested that everyone view the video before discussion.

6. Closing Prayer was led by Father Jack

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at 7:30 pm