

**Parish Revitalization Committee**  
*Conference Call*  
July 7, 2011

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***Introductions:***

- Meeting opened with the prayer "O Heavenly King..." at 7:40 pm
- Present:
  - o His Grace, Bishop Tikhon
  - o Archpriest David Mahaffey
  - o Priest Michael Demko
  - o Priest Timothy Hojnicky
  - o Protodeacon Gregory Moser
  - o Bill Simpson
  - o Paula Holoviak
  - o Mark Linnehan
  - o Larry Skvir
- Absent:
  - o Priest Martin Browne
- Paula Holoviak introduced herself and gave a little background and expressed what she felt she could offer the group. She felt the greatest focus should be on young people.

***Minutes of the last meeting:***

- Bill Simpson moved to accept the minutes. Jamie Davis Seconded. Unanimous approval.

***Mission Statement:***

- Fr. David Mahaffey put forth that the statement should be positive. Mark Linnehan expressed that the mission statement should state clearly what the group is all about. Much discussion was had.
- Jamie Davis offered this statement for consideration:
  - o ***"To identify and share the proven approaches, practices and principles of achieving parish health, growth and vibrancy."***
- It was agreed that this statement was succinct and to the point.
- Jamie Davis moved that the decisions of the committee would be made by consensus by those present at the meeting at the time the decision is being made. Seconded by Mark Linnehan. Unanimous approval
- It was decided to table the formal decision for the Mission statement until input can be made by the two absent members of the committee.
- Mark Linnehan moved to accept Jamie's Statement (see above) unless the two absent members express dissent. Seconded by Dn. Gregory Moser. Unanimous approval.

### ***Prayer Cards:***

- We would like to have one in the hands of every parishioner of our diocese
  - o Paula Holoviak and Jamie Davis will look into some bids and will have more info for the next meeting
  - o Fr. Michael Demko will be seeking permission to use the prayer text for the icon
  - o The icon will be the St. Alexis icon from St. John's in Edwardsville.

### ***Midwest's Parish Health Inventory Model***

- There is a need to review this document more within our group
- Joe Kormos is interested in being involved in this discussion but will have to be scheduled at a later time. Fr. David Mahaffey will look into this.

### ***Communications:***

- There will be an email function to let parishioners email questions or concerns with this process
- By consensus it was decided that the distribution list will go to everyone on our committee and we would decide who would respond to it after the first email is reviewed by all.
- We plan to publish the approved minutes from the committee on the website regularly
- We will link the Diocese of the Midwest's document so others can peruse and see what we are working with.
- Mark Linnehan and Jamie Davis will work together to create an article for the Alive in Christ on the work on the committee thus far.

### **The next meetings will be:**

- Conference Call: Tuesday, July 19 at 7:30pm (same number and code as this meeting)
  - o This meeting will be held without the Bishop present, but Fr. David will preside in His Grace's absence, with his blessing. This meeting will focus on setting the agenda for the July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting in which the Midwest Diocesan Plan will be reviewed
- An "in person" meeting is set for **Saturday, July 30 at 10 am** planned to be at Holy Trinity Church, McAdoo. It will focus on looking at the Midwest's plan and adapting it for use in our own diocese. Fr. Timothy will contact the McAdoo parish to set this meeting up.

The meeting adjourned at 9:34 by consensus with His Grace praying: "It is Truly Meet..."