

**St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
Pastoral Advisory Council
Minutes from September 10, 2011**

**Father Anh Tran
David Jarzynka
Eric Karl
Larry Matl**

**Scott Immel
Robert Keitzman
Michael Murphy
Mary Knuff**

**Kevin Pichon
Stacey Stull
Rocio Figueroa
Nancy Hasbach, Secretary**

Opening Prayer – Father Anh

August Minutes Approved

Pastor's Report – Father Anh

The church floor is finished but the carpet is two different colors. The contractors will replace it and will work/finish during the week so our Sunday schedule will not be disrupted.

The Ministry Leader Roman Missal Discovery Session on August 27th was well received.

Bishop Van is reinstating his "Sharing in Ministry" program to help defray costs within the diocese. The program will begin this week.

October 1st – Annual St. Francis dinner, "An Enchanted Evening in Assisi," beginning at 6:30.

October 5th – Annual Golf Tournament.

October 8th – Father Anh will be out of town for a family wedding. The PAC meeting has been moved to October 15th at 0900.

December 31st – Cathy Martin retires.

Father Francis Osei, from Ghana, is our new priest in residence.

Jazmine is our new week-end and evening receptionist. She will be in the office week nights until 8:30 and on Sunday until 1:30. The office will not be open on Saturday.

Father Anh has approved a movable guest kiosk that will hold a 50 inch flat screen TV. The TV will air church activities and events. The kiosk will have welcome packets and ministry brochures. Father would like students needing service hours to volunteer at this kiosk.

Mary asked about getting new carpet upstairs. Father said it's not in the budget at this time. Rocio asked about a movie night for youth. Father said it would be O.K., but it hasn't worked in the past, but if Rocio wants to head it up she may.

Announcements – All**Youth – Scott Immel**

Jeff is finalizing NCYC. The group will be attending in Indianapolis November 17th – 19th. They will depart by bus November 16th and return November 19th when the conference is over.

Faith Formation – Mary Knuff

They are in need of teachers.

There are a lot of students attending this year.

Classes begin September 11th.

Hispanic Ministry – Father Anh

It is going well.

Rocio said a parishioner asked her about forming a children's Spanish choir. Father Anh said Denise is forming one children's choir.

Parish Emergency Management Plan – Father Anh

Father Anh sent the Plan to the PAC members. He asked them for volunteers in law enforcement, fire fighters and psychiatry. Mary volunteered to assist John Gawry.

HTCS – Father Anh

The Pastors and the school council are looking into the "President/Principal" model for the school. Father Anh is meeting with Don Miller. The Diocese will do a search to hire the right person. The President will be the public face of the school and will handle marketing. The Diocese has offered the school five years interest free on their debt. This amounts to approximately \$150,000 in savings for the school.

Improvements & Growth – Rocio

Rocio would like to see the Council resolve discussed issues. Father Anh advised her to read the newly revised PAC Charter. He said some things cannot be resolved due to ever-changing technology, so issues will continue to be looked at, suggestions made and then passed onto the various committees and ministries.

Rocio said that Hispanic Catechesis needs improvement. Their Faith Formation needs new books every year for older students. Some students are dropping out because they have used the same book for three years and they aren't learning new things. Father will look into this.

Parishioner Concerns – All

Mary – twenty-eight women attended the CRHP Women's Retreat August 27th & 28th. The Sisterhood of St. Francis has a retreat September 17th at Monserrat.

Stacey – Did we add more pews in the church? Father Anh – No. Everything is exactly the same.

Mary – the piano and instruments are louder than the choir.

Evaluation – All

Good; lively

Closing Prayer – Father Anh

Next Meeting – October 15th at 0900

Agenda – Pedro, Mike and Kevin

Snacks – Eric, Rocio & David