

**ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH**  
**Parish Council Minutes – May 15, 2014**

**Members present:** Father Peter Martinez; Deacon Ed; Deacon Frank; R.J. Regalado [Seminararian]; Barbara Greger [Hands of Mercy]; Mary Welch [Health Ministry, Respect Life Committee]; Mary Lee Welp [Altar and Rosary Society]; Ray Greger [Grounds, Maintenance]; Stan Bienia [Eucharistic Ministers]; Luz Garcia [Legion of Mary]; Helen Pelletier [Sacristan]; Juanita Lusson [Bereavement]; Lois Broden [Respect Life]; Renee Hill [Health Ministry]

**The Parish Mission Statement:** *“St. Paul the Apostle Parish Community exists for the sole purpose of carrying out the Mission of Jesus the Christ, the salvation of all humankind, by living and spreading the Good News.”*

Topic	Discussion	Action
Opening	Meeting was opened at 6:00 PM, with prayer by Father Peter	
Parish Mission Statement	Was read by Father Peter	
Religious Education – Father Peter	There were 49 First Communicants on Saturday, May 10, 2014. There will be Confirmation for the high school Religious Education students on Saturday, May 17, 2014.	
Edge and Life Teen	No further report	
Liturgy Committee– Deacon Ed	Many thanks to all who participated in the Holy Week, Triduum, and Easter liturgies. Many thanks to all liturgy participants during the past year. Liturgy Committee will not meet again until August 2014.	
Finance Council – Father Peter	We continue to do well financially. A former parishioner recently made a \$9000 donation.	
Grounds and Facilities – Ray Greger	Ongoing work on all parish grounds continues. PVC fence replacements have begun.	
RCIA – Father Peter	Inquiry classes have begun and will be held by Deacon Frank on Tuesday evenings.	
ACTS Retreat – Father Peter	Women’s and Men’s ACTS Retreats will be held in August, on consecutive weekends.	
Knights of Columbus – Stan Bienia	There is a new Grand Knight: Alex Olveda. New officers were recently elected. The Knights donated 1/3 of their Lenten Fish Fry profits to the parish. This amounted to approximately \$2000.	
Respect Life – Lois Broden	Committee will meet this summer and make plans for the annual October collections. This year items will be collected for Timon’s Ministry.	
Altar and Rosary Society – Mary Lee Welp	May Crowning was done on May 4 <sup>th</sup> . Will plant 2 rose bushes to honor mothers and unborn infants. Fathers’ Day gifts have been ordered.	
Bereavement – Juanita Lusson	Since the last Parish Council meeting there have been no funeral meals served. There will be a funeral luncheon served tomorrow, Friday, May 16 <sup>th</sup> .	
Eucharistic Ministers – Stan Bienia	Home visits are going well.	
Legion of Mary – Luz Garcia	Ongoing work is being done. Two nursing homes are visited every Wednesday and Saturday. Participated in May Crowning this month.	
Hands of Mercy – Barb Greger	From April 15 <sup>th</sup> through May 13 <sup>th</sup> , there were 80 adults and 47 children served, for an equivalent value of \$1050 given.	

Health Ministry – Renee Hill	There will be a 4-hour First Aid course offered to parishioners this summer. Tentative dates are Saturdays June 21 <sup>st</sup> , July 12 <sup>th</sup> , or July 19 <sup>th</sup> . Renee will confirm a date with the instructor. Mary Welch will place information in the bulletin	
St. Paula’s Guild [Widows’ Support Group] – Luz Garcia and Lois Brodén	The group continues to go very well. There were 14 attendees at the April 26 <sup>th</sup> meeting. Attendees shared various books with each other. Much conversation and sharing was done at the meeting. At the May meeting there will be a Nutritionist speaking. Kudos to Eileen Vara and Pat Rikke for doing a great job in coordinating these events.	
Discussion – <u>Old Business</u>	No Old Business	
<u>New Business – Father Peter</u>	1. There will a parish-wide Farewell Potluck Dinner for Barbara and Ray Greger on Saturday, May 31 <sup>st</sup> , after the 5:00 pm Mass. 2. New flooring will be installed in the vestibule [Narthex] this summer 3. Father showed the Council the preliminary Master Plan for the new Parish Hall and other modifications to the parish grounds.	
Other	Barbara Greger expressed her thanks, gratitude, and love to all present for many years here at St. Paul the Apostle Parish. She and her husband Ray will be relocating to the central Texas area this summer.	
Next Meeting	<b><u>NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014, at 7:00 pm</u></b>	
Closing Prayer	The meeting was closed with prayer by Father Peter at 6:50 pm	