

**St. Joseph Finance Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting March 27, 2007**

**Present:** Melissa Bumgardner, Don Hando, Denis VandeVoort, Bob Young, Fr. Don, Carol Kittell

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Lift:** Annunciation's Building & Grounds Committee is interested in having the other parishes share the expense of a 30' lift to be used by all the parishes. This will be deferred to St. Joseph Building & Grounds for their consideration and recommendation.

**Captains' Training:** A request was made by Captain Joe McGinnis to lease a classroom to teach classes to persons interested in obtaining a captain's license for boating. This training is through the Coast Guard. Proposed to offer a classroom for \$40 per day.

**Water Fountain:** The water fountain in the basement by the parish hall is cracked and cannot be used. Recommended to ask for donations in the bulletin and put it in next year's budget if no donations are received. Estimated cost of \$400.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Sound System:** A donation of \$15,000 for a new sound system in church was received. Before putting in the sound system, we will look at putting in a space for the choir. The space recommended is against the north wall. Space would be made available by removing half of the first five pews. Cost for wood for the platform would be about \$175. Cost for carpeting not known at this time. Plans would include moving the organ from the choir loft to the new space at an estimated cost of \$4000. Work on this space could start after April 15.

**Budget:** Approved budget for the 2007/2008 fiscal year.

**Transition/St. Patrick:** Plans are to link with St. Patrick July 1, 2007. The Transition Committee met and came up with preliminary recommendations that will be presented to the parish councils in March. In April, the committee will meet again to discuss the comments and concerns of the parish councils and come up with recommendations to be presented to the parishes at town hall meetings.

**OTHER REPORTS**

Current financial reports were reviewed.

No Buildings & Grounds minutes as there was no meeting in March

**Next Meeting:** April 24, at 6:30 p.m., in Media Room (Prayer – Denis)