

Minutes of Pastoral Council of Catholic Church of Barber County

April 25, 2017, Holy Rosary, Medicine Lodge, 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Bev Miller, Marlene Kruckenberg, John Forester, Darren Hern, Rayann Rucker, Anne Schreiner, Diane Seiler, Kay Koger, Father Firmin

Members Absent: Rob Paxson, Sister Catherine Therese

Chairperson Kay Koger opened the meeting

Father led the opening prayer

Minutes of the April 1 Special Meeting about Vibrant Ministries were distributed.

Parish Reports:

St. Boniface--First communion took place on April 23 with one communicant, and Holy Week services and activities went well.

Holy Rosary--There was a baptism, Johan Kanama; four youngsters received their first communion on April 24th. The Easter Vigil was held in Medicine Lodge.

St. John--Two large funerals were held and one first communion celebrated. Holy Week went smoothly in Kiowa. The parish is installing a video system in the parish hall to stream services to overflow crowds at funerals and other large events.

New Business:

Several new sponsorships came in over the past few weeks leaving site close to reaching the sponsorship goal this year.

Several individuals from each parish have agreed to head the Vibrant Ministries appeal in their parishes. Most of them will attend the Vibrant Ministries orientation/training in Pratt on April 26th, to be followed by a solicitation training session in Pratt on May 24th.

At Father's request, Bev Miller read the diocesan document "Concerning the Ministry of Pastoral Associate."

An executive session was held to discuss personnel issues. The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed at 7:00 p.m. on May 2, 2017, at Holy Rosary with all members present except Sister Catherine Therese. Father Firmin opened with a prayer and executive session was resumed. No action was taken.

Father distributed stewardship materials from the diocese to each of the three parish councils.

The next regular meeting was set for September 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at St. John the Apostle in Kiowa.

Father closed the meeting with a prayer.