

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PASTORAL COUNCIL OF ST. DENIS PARISH**

12 April 2011

A meeting of the Pastoral Council of St. Denis Parish was held at 7:00 p.m. on 12 April, 2011 in the St. Denis parish center. Present were Fr. Jose Shaji, Mary Chan, Silvia Ponte, Mike DiMartino, Roy Sardina, Joan Madden and Michel Baylocq. Parish Staff (Sister de Chantal and Rosemary Lyon) were present by invitation. Father Jose called the meeting to order at 6 pm and led the opening prayer.

1. Approval of Minutes.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved.

2. Review.

The Lenten soup suppers have been going well, but attendance is less than last year. The Seder dinner was enjoyed by all.

3. New Business.

Paschal preparations: Palm Sunday, the parish will procure palm fronds. Holy Thursday mass at 5:30 will have the traditional foot washing ceremony. Good Friday mass will be at 1 pm. The Easter Vigil mass will be at 8pm, and the Easter Sunday masses will be at 8am and 9:30 at St. Denis.

First Communion: 9:30 mass at Our Lady of the Wayside on May 8, and then at St. Denis at 10am on 14 May.

Confirmation: 20 May at St. Denis

Our Lady of the Wayside Centennial: Bishop McElroy will open the celebrations with a mass on 15 May at OLW.

A suggestion was received to build a children's room at the back of the OLW church. There was a discussion, and the consensus was that the church is too small to build a dedicated children's room in the back.

There was a discussion about updating the parish directory in time for the OLW centennial in 2012. Fr. Jose will organize a committee to arrange for photo sessions, and select a vendor.

There was another discussion about the parish bulletin. There is general agreement that the bulletin should be improved to provide more information for parishioners. The editorial tasks were discussed.

4. Executive Session. Father Jose then asked if there were any Executive Session topics that needed to be discussed. There were none.

There being no further business to come before the St. Denis Catholic Parish Council, the meeting was adjourned until the next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2011, at 7 pm, at the St. Denis Parish Center.