

**Saint Isidore Parish Pastoral Council**  
**January 20, 2015**  
**6:30 pm Holy Cross Meeting Room**

The 'Prayer for Christian Unity 2015' and the 'St. isidore the Farmer Mission Statement' were read by members of the Pastoral Council. Gary Kraus was absent.

**Approve November 25, 2014 Minutes**

Mary Beth moved to approve the November 25, 2014 minutes. Jim Kraus seconded.

**Parish Pastoral Council Committee Minutes**

- A. At the January 8, 2015 meeting, the **Prayer/Worship** committee discussed the 'Week of Prayer for Christian Unity". Pastor Gary Miller from St. Paul's UCC was invited to speak at Masses at St. Isidore's.  
Catholic Schools week is January 25–31, 2015. CPES students will lead participation at the 4:30 pm Mass.  
Dates were set for First Reconciliation, January 31; Presentation of Confirmation candidates, February 1; St. Blaise Blessing, February 3; the Lenten Sacrament of Reconciliation, March 23 at 6:30. February 5<sup>th</sup> is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Cloud. The Sacrament of Confirmation is April 11, 10:00 at Holy Cross.  
February 8<sup>th</sup> has been designated as "World Marriage Day". Newly engaged couples and married couples will receive a 'blessing'. In the future, something special may be planned for those celebrating 'milestone' anniversaries, 5<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, etc.
- B. The **Festival Committee** has set the date for the Spring Raffle, March 15, 2015.
- C. Mary Beth Mueller reported **Human Concerns** packed Christmas gifts that were delivered to 7 families.
- D. **Christian Formation** has implemented a library at the Holy Cross and St. Cloud sites.  
The 'Soup/Substance' and 'Spirits/Spirituality' programs will again be presented during Lent.
- E. No report from **Pastoral Care**.

**Parish Finance Council Update and Committee Minutes**

- A. No **Building and Grounds**
- B. A second sign will be installed at the **Cemetery** in the Spring.

**Consolidated Parochial Elementary School/The Holyland Catholic School**

The CPES fund raisers "did well".

Administrator, Ric Erikson is working to procure grants for the School.

2016 begins the 175<sup>th</sup> year of Catholic Education in the 'Holy Land'.

CPES may undergo a name change as the school has gone through many changes and the logo is not pertinent for today's School.

**Other Business**

- A. St. isidore the Farmer, Holy Cross, has received a gift in memory of a parishioner for an outdoor Nativity.
- B. Synod VIII will meet Saturday, February 7, 2015, 9-11:30, at Holy Family in Fond du Lac.

**Pastor's Report**

Toiletries, socks and underwear are especially needed for the House of Peace and the Salvatorian Center.

Donations will be accepted during Lent.

Mary Gruel presented an update of the newly formed 'Holyland Food Pantry'. It is off to a very good start. 18 families were served in December, 2014. Food baskets are located at all St. isidore's sites as well as throughout the 'Holyland". Monetary donations are always accepted and special collections may be taken at Masses throughout the year.

The meeting ended at 8:00 with a prayer.

Connie Pickart, Council Secretary