

**St. Bede Pastoral Council  
Meeting Minutes  
November 9, 2006**

**Present:** Fr. Abe, Fr. Rod, Greg Ballentine, Rosanne Black, Dave Clemens, Toni Collingwood, Sasha Diggs, Noel Fort, Doug Gebhardt, Tina Straight, Chuck Leahey, Dave Clemens, Nancy Obadal, Carol, Brandely, P.J. McQuade.

**Absent:** Francis Capone, Jeannie Trainum, Bill Theroux

**Opening Prayer** – Dave Clemens

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by Doug to approve the Minutes from October 25, 2006 “Young Families Round Table Meeting”. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Toni. All were in favor. Minutes were approved.

**Special Presentation:** Toni Collingwood – “What is a Disability?” Toni and Nancy Obadal discussed this topic with the council and passed out an informative packet describing definitions of Disability, Inclusion and Parish Advocate. How Can We Make A Difference? Nancy then presented a tape to the council on “Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors.” Chuck Leahey then discussed “Caregivers” which is sponsored by Catholic Charities. Fr. Abe then discussed making the building more accessible and suggested that we investigate this further. A sign for the restrooms is needed. We are having the facilities manager look into this.

**Chairman’s Report:**

**Liturgical Committee:** Carol Brandley – Last Meeting was held Tuesday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The following important dates were discussed – Fr. Pascal Molina will be visiting the parish on Nov. 26-29 for a pre-advent mission. Dec. 13, 2006 Parish Reconciliation Service and on Dec. 16, 2006 we will have the Stable Mass. Carol went over the Christmas Mass Schedule (the full schedule can be found at [www.bede.org/about/December.htm](http://www.bede.org/about/December.htm)) Of course, parking was discussed. P.J. suggested that we place flyers on the windshields pointing out safety and traffic laws. Also, music choices for the Mass were discussed and this subject will be brought up to Neal.

**Elections:** Each PC Member is to try and bring in one name to be nominated for the upcoming PC Elections to the next meeting. The Ballot goes into the January Newsletter so we need to move on this immediately. Father Abe will bring this up at Mass to remind everyone of the upcoming elections.

**Pastor’s Report:** Along with Fr. Rod, Fr. Abe will reformulate the job description for the new Youth Minister.

**Pastoral Council Review –Dave** – Everyone has the minutes for the October 28, 2006 Joint Pastoral Council/Finance Council/Staff Council Fall Meeting. Briefly discussed

were Core Committee Meeting Review, Young Families Round Table Meeting Review and “We Walk By Faith.”

**Next Meeting – December 6, 2006 (Wednesday)** Focus of this meeting will be the upcoming Elections! We will be reflecting on this past year and reflect on our goals for 2007. Reminder: February 24, 2007 will be the next Retreat at St. Bede’s. A suggestion was made that we have our next “Young Families Round Table” on a Sunday afternoon. Our next Round Table will be in February (Toni).

**Closing Prayer:** Fr. Abe

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Straight  
Acting Secretary