

CHURCH OF ST THOMAS MORE  
Interior Design Team Meeting  
May 14, 2013

Present: Rev. Michael Ratajczak, Pastor; Chris Smith, Sondra Parks, Mary Castle, Pat Goscienski, Phil Goscienski, Diana Diaz, Mario Diaz, Kathy Arciero

Absent, Excused: Charlene Buhlert, Lorraine Doering, Ann Eriksson, Douglas Lynn, Kathleen Quinn

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:05 pm.

- **Update on Construction Progress**

Father Mike said Brian Leahey is working hard and the grading of the land will begin soon. Trees were recently dug up with the backhoe and relocated to the other side of the property.

- **Discussion of Quotations from St. Thomas More**

The team had a task of looking up St. Thomas More quotes on different websites and submitting their favorites to Phil and Pat for tonight's meeting. A two-page list of the team's favorite quotes was reviewed. It was decided that Phil would forward the entire list to Robert Habiger for John Nava to review and decide if the list is useful for his design of the tapestry.

- **Discussion of Man for All Seasons**

There was discussion on St. Thomas More as a man of principles, a man dedicated to his family, a man who stayed true to himself and his beliefs, a man with a conscience. He was a husband, a father, an author, an English lawyer, and a faithful Catholic.

Sondra stated he was never faulted in his religious beliefs, nor in his marriage and life.  
(A time to dance, a time to cry)

Chris stated he was a man of deep faith, a committed husband with a sense of humor, and a brilliant lawyer.

Charlene sent in her thoughts for the four seasons: Spring (family man), Summer (author), Fall (statesman), and Winter (God, prisoner, martyr, saint)

Ann also sent in her response: A man who made the best of a situation.

Father Mike stated St. Thomas More lived and celebrated all seasons of life. He cherished all life brought his way, and he knew all things come to an end.

Pat read Man of an Angel's Wit, a beautiful quote about St. Thomas More written by Robert Whittington.

Since all the quotes the team chose won't fit on the tapestry design, there was discussion on possibly having quotes engraved on the floor, in a bench, and having a leather bound book with quotes scribed in old English for parishioners to read through.

Phil will include all these suggestions in an email to Robert Habiger to share with John Nava.

The next meeting of the Interior Design Team will be held on September 10, 2013. The meeting closed with prayer at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Diana Díaz*  
*(for Kathleen Quinn)*