

Monday, February 5, 2024  
Start Time: 7:03pm

## Parish Council Meeting

### **In Attendance**

Fr. Joe, Kathy Burton, Linda Petitpas, Cheryl Parsons, Ellen Cole, Erica Zapatka, Bob Brinkerhoff, Al Taday, Bob Grissom, Russell Pagliughi, David Wohlmuth, Larry Ghirardi

—Ex-Officio: Louise Young, Jean Wilczynski

### **Opening Prayer**

### **Old Business**

- **Approval of Minutes**
  - Minutes were approved
  
- **Parish Life Events**
  - Coffee Hour = scheduled for **March 3rd**; (*hosted by Men's Club*)
    - Council would like to put announcement in bulletin starting Feb 18th
      - Next Coffee Hour set for **May 19th?** — *\*Involve First Communion Class?\**
  - Advertising —> We have posters from previous years
  - Council would like to have Coffee Hours **quarterly** for now
  - PPC discussed necessary materials for next coffee hour
  
- **Parish Council Retreat Specifics**
  - Erica hasn't gotten into this much; will need someone to help
    - Cheryl volunteered to take over
  
- **20th Anniversary of Church (November 2025)**
  - Al —> recommends Chairman to oversee events
  - Ellen suggested Pledge Drive, etc. as “build up” to celebration
    - Current Mortgage: **\$550,000 (Goal: Under \$500k by end of year)**
      - Ceremonial Groundbreaking in 2003; Church construction began May 2004
        - Now (2024) = Ideal time to start planning for event
      - Stewardship Drive —> Council discussed assigning a Chair/Leader for event
    - Parish planning to have Picnic on **June 29th**
    - Bob Brinkerhoff suggested spreading events out throughout year
      - Bob Grissom had idea of having Picnic as “welcome” event
      - June 2024 = would allow people to mark calendars in advance
      - Erica and Linda bounced off this idea —> Brochures to spread word, contacts, etc.
        - Ellen thought having tchotchkes for parishioners
      - Larry asked Fr. Joe if the Bishop could visit for 20th Anniversary Mass;
        - Bishop should put on calendar
  
- **PPC Committees Discussion**
  - Al consolidated list of ministries and committees
  - Council discussed need for liaisons for each ministry
    - Ellen suggested not every ministry needs a chairperson (Ex: Altar Servers)

## New Business

- **Liturgy Committee met on Jan 24th and discussed Lent and upcoming events**
    - Will meet again in early March to plan Holy Week and Easter liturgies
      - Healing Mass = **March 10th**
    - Next Liturgy Meeting = **March 6th**
  - **Picnic Plans (Bob B and Bob G)**
    - Picnic Date: **June 29th** in CTK courtyard
      - Saturday works better than Sunday
      - Time: **1-5pm (segue into mass)**
        - *Lunch @ Noon, Events start @ 1pm*
    - Plans Include:
      - Games, Family Competitions, Music, Food
    - Admission
      - Would like to be free if possible
- \*Bob Brinkerhoff brought up to council: how do we keep energy and persuade people to come?\***
- Bob G —> Proposed working w/ Food Bank = donation would be the admission

### \*Megan will send out minutes to Parish Council from Bob G, Bob B and Al's Picnic meeting\*

- **Parishioners' Concerns**
  - Linda —> expressed parishioners' concerns to council
    - Building Maintenance for church; slippery floors, ice on sidewalks
    - Limited light outside; looking to have lights near handicap parking
  - Jean —> Front doors are difficult to open
    - Proposal to have Handicap button for front door approved
  - AED training = Sharon waiting to hear back
    - Ellen said Sharon was going to contact Ray about the training kits
- **Other Topics Council Discussed:**
  - Bob Brinkerhoff —> Discussed decorations for St. Patrick's Dinner
    - Al and Bev Page used to help decorate
    - Fr. Joe suggested contacting Sue Ellen Perry
  - Bob Brinkerhoff discussed Men's Club meeting in **March 7th @ 7:00pm**
    - Guest Speaker from Holy Family will appear\*
      - ***Will revisit this next meeting b/c of Thursday Soup Dinners***

## **Pastor Comments**

- Very good meeting, Lots of energy and support
- Lent —> Healing Mass, March 10th (2pm)
  - Open to public
- April 27th Comedian —> David Kane, Pizza Truck available
  - Fr. Joe asked about refreshments

**Next Meetings: *March 11th, April 8th, May 6th***

## **Closing Prayer**