

Parish Council Meeting

In Attendance

Fr. Joe, Kathy Burton, Linda Petitpas, Cheryl Parsons, Ellen Cole, Bob Brinkerhoff, Al Taday, Bob Grissom, David Wohlmuth

—Ex-Officio: Louise Young, Jean Wilczynski, Bill Thomas

Opening Prayer

Old Business

1. Approval of Minutes

- Made some changes to February Meeting Minutes
 - Ellen motioned to approve changes, PPC seconded

2. Parish Council Retreat Specifics — Cheryl

- Cheryl met with Sister Lany Jo Smith and discussed details
 - Date/Time at Retreat center (available in late Sept/throughout Oct)
 - Food included; \$35/per person
 - Autumn = best time to have retreat
 - Council should decide on date soon —> Late October (**Oct. 28th?**)
 - Ellen suggested Council Members send their availability to Cheryl
 - Council discussed inviting a “leader” of each ministry
 - Fr. Joe thinks group shouldn’t be too big (keep only for Parish Council)
- *Cheryl will send email to Council with information and potential dates**

3. Parish Life Coffee Update & Candy Sales — Lizzy

- Coffee Hour
 - Bob B —> gave report of Coffee Hour after masses
 - Men’s Club hosted = **\$80 of expenses**
 - Bob B created list of instructions —> to make sure we have supplies (Gloves, etc.)
 - Coffee Hour Poster —> Ellen made poster to use for all ministries hosting Coffee Hour

May 19th: Erica’s idea last meeting = including First Communion Class **Will come back to this**

- Candy Sales —> proceeds go to charity
 - Ellen suggested advertising needs to be clearer (poster/sign with specifics)
 - Lizzy mentioned to Fr. Joe about Candy Sale during Palm Sunday
 - Lizzy had idea of fundraising at St. Patrick’s Day Dinner

4. Picnic Update (June 29th) — Bob G, Bob B, and Al

- Contacted Musician from Harvest Festival —> Actual start time of 2024 Picnic = **TBD**
 - PPC discussed having music **1:00-4:00pm**
- PPC talked about activities for picnic
 - May need people to help with set up/food/games/clean up ***similar layout to HF***
 - Al suggested having different games for competitions
- **April 7th:** Al wants to speak before masses to introduce picnic event and request help
- Partnering w/ Food Pantry — Bob G will contact **St. Vincent de Paul**
- Council discussed necessary sign ups to record # of Attendees; *will wait until after Easter*

Old Business (con't)

5. 20th Anniversary of Church (November 2025)
 - Kathy and Fr. Joe will reach out to previous donors
 - Jean W —> Suggested fund a facilities and maintenance repair endowment than to “pay down mortgage”
 - Parish currently has a Reserve Investment account
6. Building Concerns — Linda
 - Reached out to Ron Paine regarding lights outside
 - Automatic door proposal = approved
 - Waiting to figure out the electrical and wiring
 - Building Committee —> No specific chairman; there are a few people involved
 - Fr. Joe decided not to make an issue of this matter

New Business

1. Liturgy Committee Updates — Ellen
 - Not much to report
 - Liturgy Committee met on March 6th to discuss Holy Week
2. Finance Council Reports — Jean
 - Jean discussed the Diocesan Bankruptcy issue
 - Parishes in Diocese — “Association of Catholic Priests”; banded together so no one parish would be held responsible
 - As of February —> parishes were asked to pay towards settlement; CTK asked to pay **\$23,268** by April 1st
 - *Would like updated announcements in bulletin**
3. Parishioner Concerns
 - Nothing to report
 - Kathy called Sharon about AED kits; Sharon still waiting to hear back from Ray Belval about CPR Training
4. Other
 - Last PPC meeting **June 3rd**
 - Bob B —> Reminded Council about St. Patrick’s Day Dinner on March 16th
 - Would like to sell 140 tickets
 - New CDC regulations for COVID —> If have fever, stay home until feel better

Pastor Comments

- Thanked everyone to make Healing Mass successful
 - Wonderful music
 - Big turn out by the time mass started!

Next Meetings: *April 8th, May 6th, June 3*

Closing Prayer