

St. John Paul Parish Council Minutes

February 24, 2022

“In communion with the Universal Church, and the Archdiocese of Louisville, our mission is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by:

Worshiping God in word and sacrament;

Teaching and sharing our faith;

Serving human needs, especially of the poor and oppressed;

Promoting holiness of life through continuing conversion;

Fostering justice and reconciliation among all God’s people.

Meeting opened at 6 :35 with prayer offered by Anne Bainbridge.

Attending: Dan Amlung, Terry Becker, Anne Bainbridge, Ryan Clements (via zoom) Tim Davis (via zoom), Chcuk Lynch (for Frank Hulsman), Faye Johnson, Elaine Kennedy, Sandy Moore, and Jim Sinnott

Approval of January Minutes: had been done via email.

Committee Reports: (for further information, contact the committee chairs via email.)

- **Administration Committees:** submitted by Kathy DeLozier (delozier.kathy@gmail.com)
The projected completion date for the new Parish Life Center is just before Holy Week. The projected move-in date is now April 19. Fr. Peter hopes to have a blessing for the building at some point in May. The keys to all buildings on the Hikes campus have been turned over to the new owners, and the furniture and supplies that our parish was keeping has been moved to Goldsmith Lane. Bilyeu Company, who handled the liquidation of the Hikes campus will be sending our proceeds soon. The building committee is soliciting input from parish council, school board, parish staff, and finance committee regarding the best types of security systems for the new building and the entire campus.
- **Formation Committees:** submitted by Terry Becker (terrymarybecker@gmail.com) The committee is still working to promote speaker/musician Steve Agrisano’s presentation on March 25. Sr. Martha Buser and Sr. Jean Ann Zappa will each present in-person and live-streamed Lenten talks on March 16 at 6:30 and on April 13 at 6:30. Stations will be presented in a variety of forms. A Youth Candlelight Mass will be held on the first Sunday of each month beginning in March. Upcoming plans for spring and fall are beginning. First, a Big Walk and Talk will take place on the Big Four bridge on Sunday, May 1. And in the fall, a video on Native American Catholics will be available for free on

YouTube followed by a facilitated discussion about the topic. An ad hoc committee will meet to decide which committees are responsible for action steps articulated in our parish planning document.

- **Parish Life Committees:** submitted by Jim Sinnott (ihsinnott3@yahoo.com) Lenten fish fries begin on March 3 and continue until Good Friday (lunch only on Good Friday). A Harvest Homecoming committee is in the planning stage for fall. Erin Maguire-Osting will ask Chris Clements and Bob Goens to see if they will assist with fundraisers. Patsy Meyer will restart day trips for seniors as soon as it is safely possible. The girl scout troops participated in Scout Sunday Mass on February 23. The girls have been busy: senior girls are planning a trip to St. Louis; sophomore girls are working on awards; seventh graders are working on a variety of badges. Girl Scout cookie sales are delayed due to supply chain issues, but hope to have the cookies by mid-March and be able to sell them at fish fries. The phone team made 35 contacts and left messages with 25 people.
- **School Board Committee:** submitted by Tim Davis (tsdstar77@hotmail.com) no report this month
- **Social Concerns Committees:** submitted by Dan Amlung (amlungdan@gmail.com) Patsy Meyer is organizing an environmental concerns committee and is seeking interested parishioners to serve on the committee. The papal encyclical Laudete Si will guide this committee. JP II parishioners have returned to helping Habitat for Humanity build two homes in the West End on John Little Street. More help is needed. The grief recovery group has been reinstated and will run for 8 weeks beginning March 8. Our monthly food collections have been going to Fern Creek High View Ministries, but once we have space available on Goldsmith Lane we will store food on-site at our own pantry. A Dress for Success collection will be held on March 26/27. Rosie Adams will take over the card-writing ministry to those families who have had a funeral at John Paul. She needs information about reimbursement for stamps and cards, and how to get the information she needs to take on the ministry. The Francis Center is eager to move to their new space at the parish life center. The Young at Hearts Singles group permanently disbanded, but our Widows and Widowers group (WOW) is looking forward to meeting again as the pandemic winds down. Several members will attend the Assumption High School "Prom for Seniors".
- **Worship Committees:** no report this month

Festival of Ministries: After consultation with Fr. Peter, the date for the Festival of Ministries has been changed to Sunday, May 1. Kathy DeLozier and a committee are planning a way to showcase all of the ministries offered at JP II.

Parish Plan for Ministries and Services: In order to increase the efficacy and viability of our parish ministries, all parish council members need to reach out to fellow parishioners to encourage new participation.

Fundraising Committees: Sandy Moore, parish business manager, reviewed what is needed from the state charitable gaming commission prior to any fundraiser that will occur. For this reason, it is very important to have an agenda for fundraising so all necessary paperwork can be filed with the state in a timely manner. Since fundraising is an important component of our 2022-23 budget, planning for the rest of the year – including date, type of activity, time, and venue – must be decided. Several are in the planning stages: Brew Fest (July 16); Arts and Crafts Bazaar (July 23); Harvest Homecoming Festival (10/22); and Trivia Night (3/11/23). Tim Davis will check with the school to see if they are planning any fundraisers. The big raffle will be done at the Harvest Homecoming Festival on October 22. A raffle committee must be formed quickly. Faye Johnson will help serve on this committee.

New Business: Elaine Kennedy was elected vice-chair to fill the remaining term of Bob Goens. Bob needed to resign from the council. Chuck Lynch suggested we consider a new parish directory. The last one was published in 2017.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 7:55 with a prayer offered by Anne. The next meeting will be on March 24 at 6:30 in the Lincoln Room at the Hikes Lane campus. This will be the last meeting held at that site.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy DeLozier from notes taken by Jim Sinnott