

ST. JOHN PAUL II
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
October 3, 2024
St. John Paul II Academy Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.

6:00 Opening Prayer-Fr Casey

6:10 Fr. Casey discussion items:

1. Parish Liaison Model and Communication Plan

Father met with Terry Becker to evaluate the old versus new model

a. Curt: Parish life (including senior adult) and formation

Ashley will update us on the Arts and Craft fair

Jim Sinnott and Sharon Hibbs gave an update on Fall Festival with an Evangelization booth

Brian and Curt overlap quite a bit (CRHP Christ Renew His Parish/Welcome) a program to bring new catholics into the parish and strengthen spirituality

Frank brought up an email/newsletter, being worked on by Brian

QR codes to light candles in the back of church

5% increase in school enrollment

Only one child signed up to sing at Sunday mass

Maria asked if we have surveyed parents of school kids what we can do to improve Athletics is a big factor

Academically school is doing well, library is well stocked and test scores are good

Athletics, Academics and Catholic Identity. Catechesis of the Good Shepard is being introduced

Victory and Eucharistic adoration

John Paul Parish apparel different from uniforms

After school care that Kathy brought up, Alicia has done work to get state funding

b. Pattie: Social concerns

Statue of Mary and Joseph should be in the same place on their stands

Father has met with other heads of Social Concerns in the immediate area, we may be able to team with St Martha for additional outreach like help for utilities

c. Katherine: Divine worship

d. Alicia: School

e. Dave: Administration

f. Bryan: Advancement

\$20,000 donation for a new scoreboard on the football field

#igiveCatholic to repave and seal the track, but that is going to be done now now it will go toward the church doors

School will use funds toward paving the parking lot

\$50,000 fundraising goal that Brian is working toward in the budget

All lead staff will head an aposolate will send updates to Yvone and she will compile that into a single document

This document will be appended to the minutes

Father likes that this keeps staff informed of how the parish is going and what we

can do to improve

Addresses issues to staff members

Suggestion box that I will monitor to filter out the noise and bring real items to PC
Father will give a sermon on tithing, working on a quarterly statement for the fiscal year, should be in the mail October 15th

School uses Sycamore software but having issues with converting the alumni data
Renaming PLC rooms is on hold at this time, but the largest room will be named after St. Faustina, another after St Kolbe

Heather brought up school family/houses named after saints maybe, help with Catholic identity and fund raising?

2. Monthly Summaries

3. Open Discussion on what's going right or wrong in the Parish

Flickering light in the back left of church close to where the Sacristan sign-in sheets are located

Can anything be done about the ringing interference that might be caused by a hearing aid turned all the way up?

6:30 Review of the Arts and Craft Fair - Ashley

6:40 Review of the Fall Festival – Jim Sinnott

6:55 Schedule next meeting (November 6th at 6pm)

7:00 Closing prayer-volunteer (use suggested closing prayer or your own choice)

SUGGESTED CLOSING PRAYER

As we close this meeting, Lord, we want to give honor to You. Thank You, God, for the time we had today to discuss issues and make decisions. May You bless each person who took the time to gather here today and let Your hand of protection be on them throughout the rest of the week. Let the work done here tonight come to fruition and let it all be for Your glory. Help us each to do our parts to bring the plans discussed to life. Amen.

Parish Council Ministry Summary for September 2024

Curt Meyers - Director of Discipleship This month we have both our Holiday Arts & Craft Fair (19th) and Fall Festival (26th). Tim Tallent presented an overview of praying the Liturgy of the Hours, with approximately 10 attendees. Wrapping up the Chosen discussion sessions in the next week. Thanks to Ron Hohmann for leading. Religious Education is underway with 3 teens, under the guidance of Rob Tichy. Jr High Youth Group is in full swing. This month we're talking about virtue. High School Youth Group is welcoming a CLOUT representative to one of our meetings to learn about what they can do, with social justice. Getting ready to kick off a new College-Age / Young Adult program called, Dead Theologians Society. A group that learns and are inspired by the Saints of the Catholic Church. Walking with Purpose is underway with 2 groups, day and evening. The Boy Scouts will have a chili supper at the Fall Festival. Nothing planned this month for Senior Group
Katherine Alberts - Director of Divine Worship and Sacred Music Divine Worship We are getting a new Sacristan Beverly Waiters to help for the 4:30 Saturday Mass. We are still looking for more readers. I will put another announcement in the bulletin starting next week. I will be training two new Extraordinary Ministers sometime next week. I believe one wants the Saturday 4:30 Mass and the other is flexible on which Mass. They are Debbie Ruhl and Pauletta Flaherty. I will be putting an announcement in the bulletin for preplanning of funerals. I have had a couple of different people asking me about how to go about this. Sacred Music I started a Schola group (small group of singers) at the beginning of August. Once we are ready, we will sing at Mass. My hope is to have the Schola once a month. Right now, I am planning for Advent and Christmas.

Pattie Filley - Director of Social Services. Clout Rep. Chris Finzer. He reports that they are finished with house meetings and will be choosing a new project for the year in the month of October. Still trying to recruit new members, More info next month. Card Ministry. Eloise Campbell replaced Terri Becker as the lead. She reports that the ministry sends cards to

homebound, military and persons hospitalized, there are between 10 & 12 active members. We discussed the possibility of the school children writing notes to be included in the cards to add a personal touch. They reach out to approximately 10-15 members a month. Grief Recovery Ministry Pattie Filley. Grief Recovery group is in its sixth year and once again it is completely full. Habitat for Humanity Steve Hennesy says that the group has disbanded. However, he would like to resurrect the group if there is interest in it. May put item in the bulletin. The Mustard Seed Food Pantry reports that it has been very successful, Served over 600 people in August, and are continuing to receive collections from our partner parishes regularly. Getting people signed up for the Safe Child Environment meeting at St. Raphael 's on October 21st at 6:30 is our next challenge. Environmental Concerns Rep Patsy Meyer. Patsy reports that The group had September as the month of prayer They sponsored a booth at the Sainly Social concerning recycling environmental waste i.e., paper shredding, disposal of used electronics such and computer etc. There will be a free hazardous waste recycling clinic at Shelby Campus on Shelbyville Road on October 19th 10 to 2 and people may bring up to 3 items to recycle. Thanksgiving Baskets Reps; Pattie Filley and Mary Ridenour will collect Thanksgiving food as well as gift cards to purchase turkeys. The additional food needed will be supplied by the pantry. However, this year instead of the collection going to Highview Ministries, we will be handing out the boxes at the food pantry. We are hoping to get school children involved in decorating the boxes. Dress for Success Pattie Filley. has disbanded. The Sock Collection Ministry is held every December to provide St. John's Homeless Men's Shelter with warm winter socks. We will have it again this year. Faithful Citizenship Patsy Meyer did not have a report. Diana Hill is the new chairperson of the Respect Life Committee. On October 1st, Fr. Casey commissioned the new apostolate (12 members), Little Flowers of Life, whose patron saint is St. Therese of Lisieux. The Oct 1st date was special as it was the Feast Day of St. Therese. October is Respect Life month and The Little Flowers are supporting "The Rose" which is a part of The Little Way pregnancy center. "The Rose" has formed a program called "Embrace Life" that supports single moms after they choose life and have given birth. These young moms have expressed the need for this group, and the desire to grow in relationship with God, and with each other. The Little Flowers of Life have asked The Rose what is the biggest need right now and were told Gift Cards for groceries and gas to help these young single moms. Therefore, during the month of October, there will be a Gift Card collection by using an Olive tree filled with gift card envelopes (akin to an angel tree at Christmas time) and they will encourage parishioners to take an item from the tree and help us help mothers in need by buying gift cards to support them.

Bryan Cain, Director of Advancement and Renewal - Regarding the Welcoming Committee, we are working on putting together a welcome basket template that will be used to welcome new parishioners. We will also have a presence at the Art Fair and the Fall Festival focused on welcoming and evangelization. We have had several young adults join the parish in the last few months, and we are getting them connected to various ministries. On the Development side, we have determined that our #IGiveCatholic project will be installing electronic locks on the Church and Sacristy doors. This will cost roughly \$6500, and will allow us to keep the Church open for more hours during the day, as well as more effectively manage access, and make the building more secure. Fr. Casey also successfully solicited a \$20,000 gift for a new scoreboard! There is lots more going on, but those some highlights!

Dave Meece - Business Manager

ADMINISTRATION

1. Financial:

- Completed 2023-2024 Fiscal Year End reporting as of June 30, 2024
- Archdiocese of Louisville Annual Reports submitted August 30, 2024
- Fiscal Year End Reports available for Parish Council, Finance Council and Parishioners
- July 2024 Financial Reports completed
- August & September Financial Reports are in progress to be completed by October 15, 2024

2. Technology:

- Converted from PDS to ParishSOFT Family Suite
- Integrated ParishSOFT Family Suite to ParishSOFT Giving in August 2024

3. Facilities & Maintenance:

- Church: New Exit Door Casing; Organ Speaker Grills; New battery in A.E.D.; Auto light switches installed in bathrooms and Sacristy
- Parish Life Center: Reposition Security Camera; Wall moisture still an open item; New battery in A.E.D
- Rectory: Upgraded HVAC in upstairs office; Converting Internet to be shared with Academy
- Community Center: Multiple quotes being obtained for gutters, security camera and entry renovations
 - Pipe in Men's Bathroom ceiling repaired
 - Pipe in Lobby ceiling patched with clamp
 - Almost all lights have been upgraded to LED

- A.E.D. received new batteries
- Academy: Exterior Paint; Mustard Seed Facility Locks; Replace terrazzo floor; Replace bathroom partitions; New technology being installed; New battery in A.E.D.; Floor drain in equipment room un-clogged
- Athletic Facilities: Press Box Remodel; Paint Goal Posts; Concession Signs; Restroom Signs; Planned Scoreboard upgrade; Repaint Stadium Electrical Building
- Parking, Sidewalks, etc.: Patch Potholes; Installed Speed Bumps; Installed Slow Speed Signs; Quotes for parking lots and track
- Exterior: Filled in spots with dirt and seeded
- Asset ID Tags are being ordered to adhere to facility assets and entered into Fixed Asset System.
- Fire Marshall inspected the campus on 9.26.24:
 - Church: No violations
 - Academy: One violation for no Fire Inspection Report. School will schedule the needed fire inspection.

4. Policy & Compliance:

- Kentucky Charitable Gaming Training
- Development on Administration Manual continues