

ST. JOHN PAUL II
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA c
March 12th, 2025

- 6:00 Opening Prayer-Fr Casey read the Gospel for Sunday March 16th
Attendance: Father Casey, Rob Tichy, Lucy Miller, Maria Frank, EJ Clark, Frank Hulsman and Heather Meyers
- 6:05 Approve the February meeting minutes – approved
- 6:10 Fr. Casey discussion items:
1. Directors' Updates
 - a. Curt: Parish life (including senior adult) and formation
 - i. Youth Group kicked off their Lenten Lessons
 - ii. Dead Theologians Society for young adults has started maybe about 5 people attended
 - iii. Walking With Purpose book study Angels in the Bible
 - iv. ASAPP is now being coordinated by Sharon Hibbs could be just taking care of the food Pray intentions in the prayer book
 - v. Update on Christ Life program is being started by Curt meeting tonight 3/12 to plan for first meeting
 - vi. New business: No one on RCIA at this time
Father will follow up with Curt about 2 or three First Communion age kids
Quinceanera/Confirmation of a family from St. Bartholomew
Altar servers do serve the school mass but don't typically attend weekend mass
Saintly Socials will be starting back up in April, maybe during the Summer
do a Sundae Sunday where the parish would provide the ice cream and parishoners would bring in toppings
 - b. Pattie: Social concerns
 - i. Habitat for Humanity is still looking for more volunteers
Only one so far after announcing a few times at mass, will continue to be in the bulletin
 - ii. Food Pantry continues to go well with 200 people per week on average
Some challenges with a mobile Tuesday pantry and traffic
 - iii. Additional donations are needed
Box has been setup at fish fry
Will be put on the bulletin board in the back of church and use the e-newsletter.
Fr is looking to create a cabinet to put donations in to clean up the mess
 - iv. Update on a parishioner who wants to start a thrift store.
Father sent the parishioner an email, but he feels Big Lots is too big a space
 - v. New business:
Utility assistance through Saint Vincent DePaul
CLOUT's Nehemiah Action April 7th at 6:30 Frank is driving the bus

Creekside was just talked to by Father just yesterday, but nothing has come from multiple contacts. Terry Becker has tried to come over come resistance to letting us come in

Little Flowers of Life (Diane Hill) Cook meals for the homebound in the month of April

c. Katherine: Divine worship

i. Father Casey met with the cantors, talked about music for Lent
He also met with the choir. Father and Katherine discuss this often

ii. Rob Tichy joined the choir

Katherine will take time at each mass to recruit new members this weekend

iii. Focusing on choral pieces for late Lent and Easter during Preparation of the Gifts

Father will meet with her to instead of doing instrumental which isn't allowed during Lent

Possibly say the Berakah spoken prayer

Cantor at 9 and 10:30 mass was a paid Junior

iv. Meeting with Fr Casey on the direction of the music program at the academy

v. Trivia Night ran by Choir is being setup for April

vi. New business:

d. Alicia: School

i. Parent teacher conferences were held

ii. Cultural potluck dinner has been scheduled on March 22nd after the 4:30 mass

iii. Enrollment and budget for next school year is being worked on

iv. New business: Enrollment not looking great, projected down or maybe the same. Pre-K is down and no summer care program this year due to financial loss

e. Dave: Administration

i. Fencing has been installed

ii. Financial reports for January 2025 have been completed

Tithing pledge campaign has been started for 2025 and were mailed out (450 were sent). There is an issue with registration dates for 200+ families

iii. 2024 Contribution Statements were sent to parishioners

iv. Update on the relocation of dumpster and recycle

Having to redo the sewage behind the Community Center and the PLC at a cost around \$30k to rerun the water line will hit \$50k

Trash will get a fence around it and the Recycle may move near the Community Center

v. Installation of church door hardware has begun

Will Klien hardware is taking a long time, electrical work is planned for this Friday. OCI will then have to install the locks and cameras, but it is separate from the rest of the parish campus. Father will follow up with Dave on possible other options

- vi. Bell tower installation
Carillon speaker that will chime on the hour and toll during a funeral
OCI is supposed to run this wire
- vii. Painting of the cross (gold) – On Frank's list of St Joseph's projects
- viii. Fan and switch installation for incense – Has been installed and Father has learned the amount to add. Non-smoking hypo-allergenic. This is programmed to run most every day. No switch only on timer, on during the masses.
- ix. New business:
- f. Bryan: Advancement
 - i. Installation of the Entrepreneurial Operating System (EOS) moving toward this business model. Bryan has a lot of experience with this
 - ii. Update on the Academy Annual Fund – no update
 - iii. Jubilee Year of Hope – Catholic Culture core team
Maria said that Archbishop wrote that is being read before mass maybe add to bulletin
ASAPP are doing a pilgrimage to the Holy Doors
 - iv. Attended Kentucky March for Life
 - v. Online giving – Very difficult to setup this in the school. Working with Google
 - vi. Sanctuary project – Father wants to return the tabernacle back into the sanctuary. Group has begun envisioning what it would look like and mockups are being created. Maybe use the area for a JP II shrine. Love to have by Corpus Christi, but he doesn't want to rush it
24x7 adoration chapel is being considered, possibly a keypad for doors to the church, security concerns make this risky. Confessional area, but not in the sanctuary. Frank mentioned key fobs. Big picture option would be to rotate the altar to the west end of the church.
Location of the Stations of the Cross could be considered part of this project
 - vii. New business Baptismal font /wall off the church is not part of the Sancturay project at this time

2. Open Discussion

- a. Results of the Superbowl Party - \$1700 dollars of profit and it went well
- b. Update on the control of the volume of the organ – ongoing concern that Katherine continues to work on. In particular when it is only the cantor singing
- c. Update on this year's Craft Fair. – I will follow up with Kathy Huber
- d. Suggestion box
 - i. Lots of suggestions concerning the music style

6:55 Schedule next meeting (Wednesday April 2nd at 5:30pm)

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.