

Parish Council Minutes – September 19, 2022

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| 1. Fr. Michael Gurnick | 5. Christian Foisy | 9. Stephanie Pritts |
| 2. Brian Jecker | 6. Tom Stanton | 10. Kathy Wadowick |
| 3. Kate Biggar | 7. Christy Bartley | 11. Deacon Bill Staab |
| 4. Scott Mennigen | 8. Deacon Bill Merriman | |

Meeting Started: 1905 Meeting Ended: 2115 Location: Rectory Meeting Room

- I. Opening Prayer - Scott
- II. The minutes from August 15, 2022 were reviewed and approved
- III. Fellowship Ministry - Deacon Bill Staab
 - a. Meeting held between masses this past weekend; core team is committed to hold events after each of the masses through at least October
 - b. Sign-ups for volunteers is lower than expected, but reaching out to parish groups and individuals
 - c. Walt V and Ed S have volunteered to pick-up the doughnuts each week
 - d. Simplified the storage setup so all supplies are in just two cabinets
 - e. Still working out a process for obtaining the keys/key fob
 - f. Working on security process of the building between masses with regard to PSR
 - g. Discussion surrounding providing Wi-Fi network access within the Lower Hall
- IV. At-Large Membership
 - a. We received two applications for at-large members - Brenna Davis and Ian Brown
 - b. Feedback on both candidates was very positive and council agreed to invite both of them to join council
 - c. Announcement will go out to parish this weekend
- V. Pastor's Report – Father Gurnick
 - a. Father provided a quick overview of the Oberramergau Pilgrimage gathering and the pictures, which we displayed in the meeting room
 - b. 170th Anniversary - How are we celebrating the past while also looking toward the future?
 - i. Use this a springboard to the larger 175th anniversary celebration
 - ii. Parishioner stories
 1. History and memories from long term parishioners
 2. Talk with newer parishioners - why St. Pat's, what draws you here
 3. Setup interviews at Fellowship or personalized interview time
 4. A hardcopy printing of the memories would have the greatest impact
 - iii. Setting up our campus for the future
 - c. USCCB Document on Liturgical Space
 - i. Parish council, parish worship, facilities, finance council, and restoration committee need to be part of the conversation from a leadership standpoint along with wider participation from the parish as a whole
 - ii. Start the conversation of what is the future of our liturgical space
 - iii. This is not a short term project, it will be a 5-10-15 year visioning process
 - iv. Process will kick off during the new liturgical year/Advent
 - d. Parish Van
 - i. Committee is meeting on October 12th (11am) to move forward with next steps of vehicle review

- ii. Taking into consideration of our needs and the realities of current vehicle options
 - e. Weekend Ambassadors for Caring
 - i. Provide hospitality and resources to those who come to the parish with needs when other neighborhood facilities are not available
 - ii. Group of parishioners and local leaders gathering together on October 12th (1230pm)
- VI. Mission House
 - a. Follow-up to the open house that was held in the spring will take place this Fall
 - b. We will take the next 12-18 months to review our options and try to build back up our reservations with high schools and universities
 - c. Focus will be on connected the groups with the wider parish ministries and mission
- VII. Upcoming Events
 - a. 9 nights of prayer - 8-815 evening vigil prayer; social on final night
 - b. Rosary for life vigil 9pm-1am on December 8th
 - c. St. Vincent de Paul Fundraiser - ideas still being explored but thinking of linking up with Hospitality that weekend
- VIII. Council Updates
 - a. Facility Projects Update - Brian
 - i. East egress: windows have been delivered and new exterior doors need to be installed
 - ii. Windows: Whitney is running a little behind schedule, but the two windows should be reinstalled in late October
 - iii. Lightning rods: project has finished
 - iv. Painting: scaffolding is setup in the choir loft. They will move to side altars next.
 - b. Faith Formation - Stephanie
 - i. See attached report
 - ii. Metro Catholic School
 - 1. The school has entered into partnership with a group from New York that is also managing 3 other schools in Cleveland
 - 2. We are providing assistance in planning school masses and getting engaged in religion classes
 - c. Charity of the Month - Kate
 - i. Metro Catholic was our recipient for August; it was a very successful month for item and monetary donations
 - ii. Made some adjustment to September collection; designating monetary donations to the "residents of Franklin Plaza Nursing Home
 - iii. Early October meeting regarding the Giving Tree preparation
 - iv. Team of volunteers is regrouping in November to review the first three months
 - d. Parish Business - Scott
 - i. Diocesan audit is coming up
 - ii. #WeGiveCatholic - collection will be for the van again
 - iii. Mailing is going out with financial statement and parish status report
 - e. Consolation Team - Kathy
 - i. Mass of Remembrance (11/6/22)
 - ii. Grief discussion open to the entire district (11/13/22)
 - f. Book Discussion group
 - i. Tuesday afternoons (1-230pm) in person with Zoom option
 - g. Outreach Ministries – Deacon Bill

- i. Researching what options will be available for sheltering homeless over the winter. Local churches and county are working in collaboration
 - ii. Our hunger center client numbers are up
- IX. Closing Prayer – Stephanie

St Malachi St Patrick Faith Formation Report
September 19, 2022

PSR: Opening Gathering September 11, 2022

Total Families in PreK-Gr 8 PSR: 29 / Last Year: 19 Families

- St Malachi families: 4
- St John Cantius families: 1
- St. Patrick families: 24

Total Students in PreK- Gr 8 PSR: 61 /Last Year: 39 students

Total Students preparing for First Reconciliation & Communion: 15 / Last Year: 5

- Gr 2 students: 8
- Gr 3 students: 5
- Gr 4 students: 1 (possibly one additional student)
- Gr 5 students: 1

Total students expected for Spring Confirmation: 7 / Last Year: 4

- First Year of prep: 4
- Second Year of prep: 7

HS Catholic Social Teaching 5-session Study, students expected: 8-9 / Last Year HS Study: 2 students

Returning catechists for PreK-Gr 12 programs: 5

New Catechists for PreK-Gr 12 program: 5

RCIA Group total expected: 9- 11

- Catechumens: 1
- Catholic Candidates for Adult Confirmation: 2
- Fully Initiated Catholic renewing the Faith: 1-2
- Companions on the journey: 2-3
- RCIA Team Leaders: 3

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study (WWP)

- Intro Bible Study: 6
- Intermediate Study: 6

Family Mass

- First Sundays Oct-May with students as liturgical ministers (except Palm Sunday, April 2)
- 5:30 PM at St Patrick
- All couples and families welcome