Parish Council Minutes – February 20, 2023

- 1. Fr. Michael Gurnick
- 2. Brian Jecker
- 3. Kate Biggar

- 4. Scott Menningen
- 5. Christy Bartley
- 6. Deacon Bill Merriman

- 7. Kathy Wadowick
- 8. Brenna Davis
- 9. Ian Brown

Meeting Started: 1900

Meeting Ended: 2100

Location: Rectory Meeting Room

- I. Opening Prayer Ian
- II. The minutes from January 16, 2023 were reviewed and approved with one minor edit ("end of life" not "end of like")
- III. Recent/Upcoming Events
 - Mardi Gras
 - i. Bacon and Beignets was a success
 - ii. Large crowds gathered after all three masses
 - b. St. Patrick Dance
 - i. Scheduled for March 4th \$20 adults and \$10 kids
 - ii. Securing sponsorships and entertainment
 - c. St. Patrick's Day
 - i. Mass will be at 09:30am
 - ii. Breakfast to follow plan is to have the full breakfast this year
 - iii. Drawing will take place at noon
- IV. Pastor's Report
 - a. Reintroduction of the Communion Chalice
 - i. The Diocese authorized the distribution of the Precious Blood prior to Christmas
 - 1. Some parishes started right away, but we decided to get through Advent and Christmas
 - ii. Parish staff and parish worship have been discussing our strategy
 - 1. Plan is reintroduce during the Holy Thursday Mass
 - 2. Groups will monitor and make adjustments as needed
 - iii. We would like to boost our Eucharistic Minister numbers.
 - 1. It isn't ideal that our lectors are leaned on to also be a Eucharistic Minister.
 - 2. Worship committee is gathering names and coordinating proper training for those who would like to become a Eucharistic Minister.
 - b. Parish Van
 - i. We have a lead with dealership to gather more details
 - ii. Scott is meeting with them next week
 - c. Holy Week
 - i. Monday Tenebrae at St. Malachi's
 - ii. Tuesday Chrism mass at the Cathedral
 - iii. Wednesday 5:30pm weekday mass
 - iv. Holy Thursday 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
 - v. Good Friday 12pm Stations of the cross and 3pm Passion of the Lord
 - vi. Holy Saturday 8:45pm Easter Vigil
 - vii. Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am
 - viii. Morning prayer will take place Thursday Saturday
 - ix. Blessing of food baskets will be on Saturday morning with Deacon Bill M and Deacon Bill S

- d. Lent
 - i. Diocesan Night of Confession March 8th
 - 1. Will be held at St. Mary's Chapel on the St. Ignatius campus
 - 2. Collaboration with St. Patrick, St. Malachi, St. Wendelin, and St. Peter
 - ii. Friday night 5:30 pm mass and Stations of the Cross except 3/17
 - 1. Some parish groups will serve as hosts for Stations of the Cross
- V. Building with Living Stones
 - a. See attached notes from the various parish groups
- VI. Council Updates
 - a. Consolation Ministry
 - i. Working on getting information for end of life documents in the bulletin in March
 - ii. National day for documents is in April
 - b. Communications
 - i. Still looking for groups and individuals to help sponsor fellowship
 - ii. Meeting minutes are going to be posted on the website starting with January minutes
 - c. Outreach Ministries
 - i. Deacon Bill to dispense ashes this Wednesday at Franklin Plaza
 - d. Facilities and Restoration
 - i. Working with Whitney Stained glass to get an update on the two windows near St. Joseph altar
 - ii. Restoration Raffle
 - 1. Ticket sales are strong but we need sold and unsold tickets to be returned asap
 - 2. If tickets are available, they will be sold after the masses and in the rectory
 - e. Parish Business
 - i. Mission House meeting
 - 1. Meeting will be held February 27th in the Oak Room
 - 2. Presenting the current financial status of the building
 - 3. Gathering ideas of how the building can/should be used
 - ii. Parish audit
 - 1. We successfully completed the audit by the Diocese
 - 2. A few minor issues were discovered, but they are being addressed
 - iii. Credit card
 - 1. Scott is researching options so that the parish can begin accepting credit cards for events, rents, and other functions
 - f. Charity of the Month
 - i. February Procop House
 - ii. March Malachi Center (sponsored by PSR families)
- VII. Closing Prayer Kathy