

St. Gregory the Great
Pastoral Parish Council Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2021

Present: Fr. Todd Budde, Michelle Zakula, Jack Kelly, Eileen Lipinski, Joey Kovnesky, Patti Penkalski, Jackie Konkol, Barb Wilk, Donna Higgins, Jeff Senn, Lauran Vetuschi and Yolande Lasky

Excused: Chris Hodges

The council meeting started at 7:00 p.m. with prayer.

Minutes from the September 14, 2021 meeting were approved.

Father Todd:

Father Todd led a discussion about Commissions' Night. The response was very positive from Council members. Notes regarding the Commission Night will be circulated.

The Parish held several engagement events this fall—the response was positive.

Attendance was up at the Memorial Mass held on November 6, 2021.

The Archdiocese will be starting the “Come to Me” Campaign. Sandra will lead all communications and Michelle will be our project manager. More to come.

The Capital Campaign will begin its second wave in May/June of 2022. The Parish goal is \$720,000.

The Parish will be updating the windows in all the buildings in 2022.

The Parish has submitted a proxy to the Archdiocese requesting to sell the rectory in the spring. We are still awaiting approval.

Patti Penkalski:

Financial information will be forthcoming.

Michelle Zakula

The following engagement events are/were held this fall with a very positive response:

- College Care Packages were sent to 27 students.
- Lisa Metz will speak after the November 21st Mass about Vatican II.
- Veterans will be honored at the November 11 Mass. The 6th graders will serve a breakfast afterwards.
- A Thanksgiving mailer will be sent.
- School children are making Christmas ornaments for parishioners. They will be distributed after Christmas Masses.

- The Parish is holding a Christmas carol challenge. Information will be in the stewardship mailing. Those who complete the challenge will be entered into a drawing to win a ham dinner for six prepared by the Parish staff.

Commission notes/minutes are attached hereto.

The next Deanery meeting will be held April 6, 2022.

Closing:

The meeting closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted

Lauran Vetuschi, Secretary

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Commission Notes/ Report

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on January 11, 2022. The following are Commission minutes/notes that were provided to me from a representative of the Commission.

Finance: Barb Wilk and Chris Hodges

Nothing to report.

Liturgy/Worship: Lauran Vetuschi

Due to the holidays, Liturgy Commission has not met. More information will be forthcoming.

Human Concerns: Michelle Zakula and Eileen Lipinski

Due to the holidays, Human Concerns Commission has not met. More information will be forthcoming.

Stewardship and Community Building: Joey Kovnesky and Jackie Konkol

Stewardship will be meeting before the January 9th meeting. More information will be forthcoming.

Evangelization/Formation: Jack Kelly

Lighthouse, ARISE, confirmation preparation and FIAT have all resumed or are scheduled to resume after the New Year. As COVID evolves, Lety may move the classes to ZOOM format. More to come.

School: Yolande Lasky

School Commission Meeting - November 16, 2021

Upcoming Events

- Christmas Event—singing, crafts and hot chocolate
- CWS Open House will be held at the end of January

Principal's Report

- No financial at this time.
- Enrollment-158 students
- Anthony Casper is working part-time on marketing and technology. It is anticipated that Anthony will become full-time as of the first of the year.
- A Christmas tree at Cathedral Square was decorated with ornaments made by the children.

New Business

- There is a new Archdiocesan initiative on Social Responsibility. This will be reviewed by the staff and circulated to the parents.
- The school is participating in an anti-bullying program called "Speak Up, Speak Out."
- By-Laws Article VII was reviewed and amended following consultation with Father Todd.