**Parish Council Meeting Agenda/Notes**

**August 19, 2025, 7 pm, Parish Rectory**

**Members:** Father Paul, \*\*Bill Gagen, Jim Becherer (Trustee), Jane Cotts (Trustee), Andy Fairlie, Connie Frierdich, Tip Klamberg, Deb Kuth, Erin Reilly, Natalie Ruth, Mary Weil

**Prayer**

**- Farewell – after many years serving on the Pastoral Council as member & chair, Bill Gagen is stepping down**

**-we cannot thank Bill enough for his dedication and time he’s given to the council and our church!!**

**- Finance – End of Fiscal Year Jun 30/Diocesan Report/KEB assistance**

**-** Roger Rowan is new member of the Finance Council

**-** Looking into options for major raffle and a modified drawdown

**- Building & Maintenance -** Listening System for churchpurchased-exceptionally good feedback!

- McKendree Into the Streets is Saturday, August 23, 9-11am. 63 students plus faculty

( volunteers: Jim Pehle, Jeff & Karen Greenstreet, Connie & Jim Frierdich, Sara Baer, Roger Rowan, Tip Klamberg, Dane Buechele, and Pattie Herr

- Parking lot is being resealed and striped. All access is closed Thursday/Friday (funded by SJCC)

- Andy F and Roger Rowan are our summer lawnmowers/Barb C is handling weeding

**- Cemetery** – Cemetery book for old section digitized by Peg’s nephew (once pages are sequenced it will be printed)

**- Education/PSR** - 7 of 8 PSR volunteer teachers returning in August plus **3 youth volunteers**

- 31 students registered for PSR which starts Aug 24. 9-10:15am (doors open at 8:45am)

**- Youth Group** - alternating Monday @ CC, Wednesday @ StJ – **Lynn Shirley is our Youth Leader!** Meets once a month

**- Community Life/Fellowship**

**- Grab & Go –** St Joseph served 643 with an overall total of 3,400

**- Partnership Parish Mass & Picnic** - September 21, 2025 @ CC (postcards sent out)

**- Fall Fest – Oct 5** Erin is organizing a committee/need Ken Diel to help with financial aspect

-- silent auction (using extra gift cards from gift card tree); meal (chili, hotdogs, chili dogs, nachos w/cheese, cupcakes, chips & drinks); games; face painting, etc

- **Raffle** – gift card tree ($410+), car care bundle, homemade queen quilt (tickets mailed Sat)

-- drawing Oct 5 at end of Fall Fest – first two winners pick their prize

- **Pork Steak Dinner** – Oct 18

- **Annual Trivia Night – March 7? (**CC trivia night Jan 31**) and/or Adult Egg Hunt**

**- Annual Fish Fry** – (consider a flashlight egg hunt for adults on last day) (fish fry Fridays, Feb 20-Mar 28)

- **Euchre tournament** - discussed as possible fundraising option for St Vincent de Paul

- **Bags for Care Centers** – this was tabled to be done at a time other than Christmas – Food pantry has provided bags this year

**- Joseph House** – begins August 25 (first night we served 110 students!!!)

- **McKendree Involvement Fair** – Sep 3, 11am-2pm

**- Liturgy** – need more people on Finance (Roger Rowan new member) & Pastoral Council – **need recommendations**

- **FORMED** – putting word out there – appreciate any assistance forwarding info

- Adult Ed – Lent: Genesis to Jesus (led by Teresa Rogers)

- **Outdoor Mass** Harvest/pet blessing Oct 5 which coincides with Fall Fest – need help

- **OCIA** – 1 college student plus several others at CC

**- St. Joseph Community Club**

**- Donut Sunday –** 1st Sunday in the month – popular with parishioners

**Parish Office:**

- Diocese would like a **Respect Life Coordinator** at each parish – we need one

**Around the room & Prayer**

**Next Meeting: Oct 21 (third Tuesday of the month)**