



# St. Alphonsus Parish Council Meeting

October 24, 2023 – 6:00pm

**In Attendance:** Father Paul, Doug Slobodnick, Chris Ryan, Maureen Walsh, Mary Panther, Bitrus Gwamna, Dr. Kent Metcalf, Ryan Harvey, Bob Donnolly, Morgan Yoder and Barb Brown.

**Opening Prayer:** Bitrus Gwamna

Minutes of the September meeting were read by the Doug Slobodnik, they were approved unanimously.

**Visitors:** Vicki Feldmann from the Finance Council came to go over the year end financial statement and if anyone had any other questions.

**Pastoral Comments:** Father Paul appointed Morgan Yoder to replace Ben Bly for the rest of his term since he and his family are moving to NE Iowa. Also, he talked about the ADA mailing.

**Social Action:** There is a Food Drive for the weekends of November 4 & 5 and 11 & 12. Donations will go to the Cradle of Hope and the Tolson Community Action.

**Liturgy:** We still have a few more of the “This is my Body” books in the Gathering Space and we will be having adoration after the 6:30 Mass on November 1 for All Saints Day.

**Family Life:** There is a Family Game Night on November 4<sup>th</sup> right after Mass along with a light meal.

**Church Life/Welcoming & Belonging:** No meeting this month, but sending out the schedule for cookies/donuts.

**Finance:** Looked at the July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup> Income and Expenditures.

**Faith Formation:** Trying to find a committee to lead the “Advent Wreath Making” on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. They are looking forward for the NCYC trip and Kelley will also be preparing an application for a grant through the Diocese.

**Building & Grounds:** Russell has been painting some of the parking lines.

**Old Business:** Just a reminder that the St. Alphonsus Workday is on October 28 from 8 to Noon. Indoor and outdoor work.

Pricing new doors for Manning Hall \$16,352 and Simon and Simon out of Salem will be our new snow removal company both were approved unanimously.

Sparking the Spirit was very well attended and heard some good stories

**New Business:** The Mary Statue on the South Side of the Church will be repainted as long as the Finance Council approves it at \$3,424.00 – Approved unanimously

It was mentioned to have a combined meeting yearly with the Finance Council.

The next meeting is November 28 at 6:00pm, Bob Donnolly will have the Opening Prayer and Maureen Walsh will have the closing prayer.

Maureen Walsh closed the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully, Barb Brown, Secretary Pro Tem