

**Corpus Christi Parish
Parish Council Meeting
January 16th, 2024**

In Attendance: Greg Derner, Bill Krouse, Derrick Lebryk, Chris Stuhldreher, Sheila Haar-Siegel, Laurie Wiley, Marvin Winkeler, Annette Whitaker

Ex-Officio in Attendance: Neil Jansen, Michele Stroot; Fr. Paul Wienhoff

Excused: Jen Derickson, Sarah Gass, Mike Kraus, David Hill

Ex-Officio Excused:

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. with Fr. Paul leading the Council in prayer.

Minutes of last meeting: No corrections noted. Greg Derner motioned for acceptance, seconded by Annette Whitaker. Motion carried.

FINANCE

Finance Council has not since last meeting. As of 11/30, revenues are right on the budget projections. After first 5 months, a \$21,000 deficit is still projected for the year. CD's are still strong and some were renewed. Our cash position is \$103,000. A set of pulpit talks is still being discussed.

LITURGICAL – Next meeting is January 17th. Ash Wednesday will have Masses at 12:10 P.M. at St. Joseph and 7 PM at Corpus Christi. Catholic Schools Week Mass will be January 27-28th weekend. Stations of the Cross during Lent will again be held. **PARISH COUNCIL WILL LEAD THE STATIONS ON FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH, 7 P.M.**

PASTORAL/SOCIAL

Parish Mardi Gras celebration is Feb.10th beginning at 5:30 P.M. in Parish Center. Mouse Races are now set for April 13th, 2024.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

No report at this time. A question was raised on the feasibility of giving the Parish Center a fresh coat of paint. Something to consider.

YOUTH MINISTRY – Two high school and one college student from the Parish were on team for the Luke 18 weekend. There was a good attendance. Joseph House resumes Monday, January 22nd, with Corpus Christi's first week is January 29th. We have two parishioners (Jim Ruppel and Allison Kern) on the TEC team. There was a TEC the weekend of January 12, 13, 14 with another scheduled in Mt. Carmel in February. The TEC team requested address information to reach out to our high school students.

COMMUNICATION – Michele Stroot shared that website version change is pending. There is WEBINAR capability. She indicated usage of the MyParish app is light and wondered if it should be continued. A suggestion was offered on possibly having "new content" available like Fr. Mike Schmitz or the like. More research into expanding "value" will continue.

EDUCATION

PSR –

1st Reconciliation/Communion – 6 PSR students. **2nd grade parent meeting** – Sunday, Feb. 11 at 10 AM in church. **1st Reconciliation** is February 19th at 6:30 P.M. at St. Joseph. *First Communion Retreat* is schedule for Sunday, March 10th at noon at Corpus Christi.

Adult Faith Formation – No one in program this year.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word – averaging 6 to 11 children weekly. Going well.

Confirmation – 4 students (2 St. Clare and 2 St. Teresa) have been participating in Children’s Mass. The two St. Clare students will be confirmed on Tuesday, Jan. 30th with St. Nicholas Church.

Child Protection – Children’s component Sunday, February 18th at 10:00 A.M.

Catholic School Mass – Sunday, January 28th, at 9 AM Mass with coffee/donuts following.

Children’s Mass – Sunday, Feb. 4th at 9 AM. Anticipating receiving two 3rd graders into the church at this Mass as they were baptized in the Methodist church.

Stations of the Cross – Inviting St. Clare and St. Teresa students along with PSR students for March 1st. Trying online sign-up for a particular Station with material posted online to allow for practicing.

OUTREACH – No report.

PARTNERSHIP – No report.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Welcomed again 2 new council members (Annette Whitaker and Chris Stuhldreher) and encouraged them to pick an area to be involved in.
- Parish Directory discussion will be for next meeting.

ROUND THE TABLE

- Neil Jansen announced that the Holiday Hilltop had 700 runners and raised a new record amount of \$113K.
- Neil also indicated that **Super Bowl Chili fundraiser** was in progress for Feb. 10 (from 2-4PM) and Sunday from 10 AM to 2 PM. \$13 quart.
- Sheila Haar-Siegel noted the OPEN HOUSE at St. Clare on Jan. 28. Need to register now as attendance is expected to be full.
- Previous fund-raising event suggestions:
 - Scrapbook event (Laurie Wiley)
 - Breakfast with Santa (Laurie Wiley)
 - Food truck event
 - Pickleball court rental in our “gym” (Neil Jansen)
 - Increase hall rental to public (Annette Whitaker)
 - Increased Stewardship (Mike Kraus, Marvin Winkeler)
 - Glow Bingo (Sarah Gass at last meeting)
 - Bags Tournament (Jen Derickson)

CLOSING PRAYER: Led by Bill Krouse at 8:07 P. M.

NEXT MEETING: **Tuesday, March 19th, 2024, at 7 P.M.**