

**Corpus Christi Parish
Council Meeting
July 15th, 2025**

In Attendance: Jen Derickson, Bill Krouse, Chris Stuhldreher, Laurie Wiley, Annette Whitaker, David Hill

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

Excused: Derrick Lebryk, Mike Kraus, David Hill, Marvin Winkler, Sheila Haar-Siegel

Ex-Officio Excused: Neil Jansen

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm with Fr. Paul leading the Council in prayer.

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

FINANCE - Finance Council has not since last meeting

LITURGICAL – Next meeting is 9/9/25.

- 8/14-8/15 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 8/14 CC @ 7 pm, 8/15 St. Joe's @12:10
- 8/24 Blessing of backpacks and laptops (all masses)
- 9/6-9/7 Blessing of Grandparents and elderly (all masses)
- 9/13-9/14 Exaltation of the Cross; blessing of all crosses (all masses)
- 9/20-9/21 Blessing of all catechists; teachers and parents (all masses)
- 9/24 Partnership Mass @ CC indoors at 10:30. This will cancel all other masses at St. Joe's and CC this weekend.

PASTORAL/SOCIAL

- Rummage Sale- 9/12-9/14
- Partnership Mass – 9/24- Parking was brought up by the Partnership committee and the June's customers taking parish parking spots. Council agreed to block the road and use "Event Parking" signs. This will be best facilitated with parking attendants.
- Trivia Night- 1/31/26
- Mouse Races- 3/21/26

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

- Still no chair for this committee.
- Mulch- reminder of pile on upper lot will remain there and be used to fill in Father's back yard as needed.
- Will have additional mulch delivered to lower lot for reminder of church grounds closer to lower lot.
- 8/23- Parish Clean up day 9-12pm. Will have McKendree students assisting who are part of the "Into the Streets". Lunch will be provided that day as well.
- Do not believe coils in main church A/C have been cleaned ever. Planning to clean these at clean up day.
- Power Washer needed to wash north side of detached garage and north side of Grotens hall.
- Door on north side of the parish center is broken and needs looked at.
- Main refrigerator in kitchen needs looked at, currently leaking.

YOUTH MINISTRY – On report

COMMUNICATION –

- 8/14 7 pm Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 9/24 10:30 am Partnership mass will be live streamed

EDUCATION- On report

OUTREACH –

- Outreach to non-active parishioners via mail from council members to invite them back. Office will pull a list of registered parishioners who have not been to church or any events in some time. Parish Council members will select names they know and send a postcard with a personal message to invite them back. Office will design a postcard prototype and send out for approval.
- Cornerstone Scripture Studies would like to begin an evening bible study. This will be held at Corpus Christi on Thursday nights starting in October and will run for 8 weeks. There will be a trial evening in August.
- Online Directory- \$13/mo if we pay the yr in advance. Can begin a trial but may auto renew monthly after that. We are going to send email blast (late August and beginning of September) to all Councils, committees, and Liturgical Ministers to submit a family photo and updated information. We will then take that information received back and begin the trial and upload all that data in the site for the rest of the parish to see. Then attempt to gain the updated and current data from the rest of the congregation to complete the online directory. Prior to proceeding with remaining congregation, we will need to get a volunteer photographer to be available to take family pictures for the directory.

PARTNERSHIP – 9/24 Partnership Mass @ CC indoors at 10:30. This will cancel all other masses at St. Joe's and CC this weekend.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Pavers: 7 big pavers have been purchased. Need to get original contact with the paver company to schedule a time to come out and begin work on them.
- Hall Rental: Parish Council members will receive a copy of the Parish Center Hall Rental Agreement to review and decide if updates need to be made on pricing during 9/16/25 council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Bill Krouse asked about a "Senior Club" here with CC. There used to be the "Jolly Seniors" but that has not been gathering for some time now. Bill is going to look at local parishes to see what they are doing and let us know. Can determine if we reconvene this group and socialize it to congregation.
- Fr. Paul announced his interim fill of the Chancellor position within the diocese. Fr. Paul will plan to fill this position until a new bishop is appointed to the diocese.

CLOSING PRAYER: Led by Fr. Paul at 8:07 P. M.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 16th, 2025 at 7 pm.