



Parish Pastoral Council Agenda

Tuesday May 3

7:00pm Rooms 101-103

Present: Fr. Mike Anderson, Joshua Bohl, Cheri Brausen, George Burr, Rusty Ray, Brian Sauter, Paul Siler, Keith Sjostrom, and Kelly Summerville

Excused: Don Hohn, Robert McMullan, Ron Peterson, and LeAnn Zogg (Trustee)

Opening Prayer: God, our Father, we pray that through the Holy Spirit, we might hear the call of Evangelization and live as missionary disciples of your Son, Jesus. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and renew our parish with the fire of your love. Enliven our St. Joseph's community; may we always be a place of joy and hope, that welcomes the stranger and searches out the lost. And we ask all of this through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen (taken from Sts. Joseph and Paul Catholic Church)

- 1. Review/Approval of April minutes**
- 2. Look ahead: PPC officers for next fall (chair, vice chair, secretary)**
- 3. Update on "at large" council position**
 - Discussed potential candidates
- 4. Commission updates:** Facility, Community Life, Synod, Pastoral Care, Charity and Justice, Faith Formation, Liturgy, Finance, Communications

Facilities

- Facilities will replace ceiling in the coffee room
- Chuck Karth will put order in for worship space A/C unit
- Facilities will prioritize handicap parking
- See attached church projects list

Community Life

- Scholarship breakfast is coming up
- Want to do a ministry fair – last ministry fair was 2014 – thinking it would be best to do a video announcement and tell people what we need for each commission – need Eucharistic Ministers, greeters, people to visit the homebound, etc.

Synod

- The Lay Advisory Board has not met since the last PPC meeting
- Josh Bohl and Laura Anderson are going to the Synod meeting in June

Pastoral Care

- No update since last meeting

Faith Formation

- Kids did the readings at a recent Mass, and that went over well
- Good turnout for end-of-year picnic
- Elementary education position has been posted

Finance

- See attached handout
- Discussed if festival proceeds should be put towards something specific, like a new air conditioner – in the past proceeds have been put towards a specific cause, like technology (“Getting St. Joe’s back to the Future”)
- Per the question from the 2/1/2022 PPC meeting about putting the surplus to the capital improvement fund, the Finance Council thinks it is best to put the surplus to the capital improvement fund as it should be adequately funded to pay for things like a new air conditioner, etc.

Communications

- Security cameras are on order
- Festival pages will be on website before Memorial Day
- Video announcements will be back for Mass this weekend, May 7/8
- Rusty Ray is working on a video to replace the new member PowerPoint
- Josh brought concerns parishioners have about our website – the concerns listed are:
 - It is outdated and hard to find things, especially compared to other websites (Epiphany, St. Peter in Forest Lake, St. Odilia, and Lumen Christi in St. Paul)
 - Our address is not on the main page
 - There is not much information on the parish app. For example, only Amy Moore and Fr. Mike are listed as staff.
 - It takes multiple clicks to pull up the bulletin
 - Last year it was difficult to sign up for the summer festival online – maybe have the registration link be at the front and center of the website when registration opens?
 - New members can’t register online – a form has to be filled out and printed and turned in manually to the main office
 - Our website is a listing of announcements and doesn’t have the nice graphics like other parish websites listed above
 - Rusty said a lot of websites use a template for how things are laid out, so a solution could be updating the template
 - Rusty will take concerns to Communications Commission

Liturgy

- No updates from liturgy

Byrne Residence Update

- Fr. Mike received a letter from Archbishop Hebda asking parishes to raise money to help with updating the Byrne residence for retired priests.

5. Evangelization discussion: Follow up to Fr. Mike’s talk during our April meeting. We were asked to think about the following: “What is getting in the way of us encountering our brothers and sisters? Think about our

broader community. Living in service to those in need. Need to be open to ALL. Look past our parish membership and go beyond our walls. No shaming people...let the Holy Spirit work. Put our trust in the Holy Spirit."

We will all be asked to share our thoughts on evangelization / these topics. Please spend some time in reflection before the meeting. Be prepared to enter into the discussion of where you are personally are at, where St. Joseph's is at, where the broader church is at, etc. Questions welcome !!

- Church should be a field hospital and serve those in need wherever they are at the moment
- What do those who don't feel accepted want from us? Would they want to talk to others about how they feel? What would make them feel accepted?
- PPC discussed evangelization and will continue discussion at future meetings.

6. Next meeting June 7

7. Closing prayer:

Pour out your Spirit, so that I might be strengthened to go forth and witness to the Gospel in my everyday life through my words and actions. In moments of hesitation, remind me: If not me, then **who** will proclaim the Gospel? If not now, then **when** will the Gospel be proclaimed? If not the truth of the Gospel, then **what** shall I proclaim? God, our Father, we pray that through the Holy Spirit we might hear the call of the evangelization to deepen our faith, grow in confidence to proclaim the Gospel and boldly witness to the saving grace of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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(taken from

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

We, the people of St. Joseph of the Lakes Catholic Church, as Christ's Body, strive to be the heart, hands and feet of Jesus Christ. "

-- St. Joseph of the Lakes Vision Statement

Date= MAY 2022

FACILITY COMMISSION CHURCH PROJECT'S

ITEM	BASE PRICE	DATE COMPLETED
#1) REPLACE CEILING IN EDUCATION WING HALLWAY AND LIGHTING 1,724 S/F	\$12,775.00	*=*
#2) REPLACE CEILING IN COFFEE ROOM, 180 S/F	\$900.00	*=*
#3) NEW DOOR LOCK'S IN ST. JOSEPH'S HALL		
#4) WORSHIP SPACE A/C UNIT REPLACEMENT	\$60,000.00	*=*
#5) ADDITIONAL HANDICAP PARKING		
#6) FILL CRACKS IN PARKING LOT BLACKTOP		
#7) DOOR #3 REPLACEMENT		
#8) REPLACEMENT OF MAIN KITCHEN DOOR		
#9) NEW EMERGENCY EXIT DOOR (IN CHOIR STORAGE AREA)		
#10) OLD KITCHEN DOOR REPLACEMENT		
#11) REPLACE EXTERIOR LIGHT FIXTURE'S ALONG SIDE WALK TO THE HISTORIC CHURCH		
#12) NEW STAIRWAY IN BACK OF ALTER (SAFETY)		
#13) WATER HEATERS REPLACEMENT (2)	\$5,189.00	
#14) EDUCATION WING DOOR #2 REPLACEMENT	\$10,558.00	
#15) ENCLOSER TO DOOR #4 REPLACEMENT		

UPCOMEING PROJECT'S

- #1) SECURITY**
- #2) FIVE (5) YEAR PLAN**
- #3) ST. JOE'S HALL BATHROOM UPGRADE "TILE"**
- #4) PAINT DOOR FRAMES (8)**

***--Approved by the Finance Commission**

**St. Joseph of the Lake
Finance Council Report
May 3, 2022**

Fiscal 2022:

- After the first 9 months, total collections are slightly **lower** than budget (1%) and \$75k better than last year (+8%) – due in part to a couple large one-time donations
 - o Reminder: Collections were budgeted to be \$100k higher than fiscal 2021 for the full year
- Our Capital Improvement fund is currently at \$260k – but will be hit with ~\$60k to replace A/C units in church
- Cash reserves of ~ \$200k
- Total Operating expenses are currently under budget, largely due to timing of certain expenses

Fiscal 2023 budget:

- Total collections budgeted to be relatively flat with this year – economic uncertainty is causing us to be cautious
- Parish festival budgeted to be about the same as this year
- Approximately \$60-70k will be budgeted in Facility Maintenance and Improvement Fund to balance to a zero budget