

**CHURCH OF ST. GENEVIEVE**  
**FINANCE COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**January 24, 2023**

**Present:** Tim Scanlan-Chair, Nancy Thomas and Andrew Melcher

Also, Fr. Greg Esty; Susie Irlbeck, Parish Administrator; John Powers, Trustee.

Opening Prayer: by Fr Greg.

- *November Meeting Minutes* – Motion to Approve (MTA), Andrew; Seconded by Nancy; Passed
- *November Financial Reports* – Motion to Approve (MTA), Andrew; Seconded by Tim; Passed
- *December Financial Reports* – Motion to Approve (MTA), Nancy; Seconded by Andrew; Passed

It was suggested to change the name of “Capital Fund Checking” to “Capital Fund” and remove “Checking” from the account description.

Also, it was suggested to review the current balances in checking and savings and consider investing a portion of the balances in a short term CD to receive higher returns. This action was discussed and decided to delay to a future meeting based on upcoming parking lot expenditures in the spring. The parking lot project could cost up to \$300,000.

It has been noted the roof project will be deferred.

**Pastor’s Report**

- Grateful to the Men’s Club for donation of Holy Moments books
- Grateful for Christmas services
- New auxiliary bishop for the diocese
- Synod Evangelization kickoff event was on 1/17/23. St. Genevieve church staff/members attended. Considering how to incorporate the evangelization into our parish.
- Grateful for the generosity of our parishioners.
- Continued concern about getting more young people into our parish.
- LENT – with *The Chosen*. Topic is about people who are chosen to be evangelizers and followers of Jesus. Our parish will be having ‘showings’/conversations of this during lent.

## **Old Business**

- Review CD returns, future rates, and overall investment returns
  - See above comments about two of our bank accounts.
- Project updates
  - Boiler in the Parish Office will need to be replaced next year and approximate cost will be \$4,000-\$5,000.

## **New Business**

- Archdiocese has devised a new formula for the calculation of the Annual Parish Assessment
  - The archdiocese has been working on this for a couple of years which included looking at other diocese across the country.
  - St. Genevieve currently pays 9% assessment and this will be increasing to 10% on July 1, 2024.
  - A future change in the calculation will be the exclusion of the income from Religious Education (Faith Formation), Mens Club and CCW.
  - Capital Campaigns will be assessed at 3% going forward and also effective July 1, 2024.
- Other items
  - a. Accident reporting procedures and potential liabilities for the parish
    - i. Are the Accident reporting procedures updated, readily available and followed?
    - ii. A parishioner fell in the kitchen during a funeral luncheon committee and broke her shoulder
      - 1. Was a report filed? No.
      - 2. We should have something on site to file a “First Incident Report”, “Injury Reports”.
        - a. Give/educate committee chairs on this process.

## **Closing Prayer**

Next meeting:

Tuesday, March 28, 2023, 6:30 pm