

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, 3 September 2024

- **Acceptance of minutes from last meeting.**
- **Selection of new officers:**
 - Chairperson – Mike VanHandel**
 - V. Chairperson – Andy Schumacker**
 - Secretary – Joanne Reykdal**
- **Discussion of Chapters 6 and 7 of *Beautiful Eucharist***
- **General Updates / Comments**
 - 1. Holy Name of Jesus House lease has been renewed for 5 more years.**
 - 2. St. Matthew Annual Meeting is after Masses on October 5 & 6**
Please attend meeting if you are present at the Mass.
 - 3. A contribution from the estate of Claire Thomas will be used for landscaping and maintenance of St. Matthews' grounds and buildings.**
 - 4. There will be a staff sponsored Spaghetti Dinner on September 28th.**
If you plan to attend, please bring a dessert.
 - 5. The transfer of duties previously done by Ann Froelich, who retired in June, has gone well with Amy Weiss and Anissa Willkom assuming aspects of them.**
 - 6. Andy will provide an update of the vocation ministry initiative at our November 12th meeting.**
 - 7. TJ provided a summary of the work completed by Sleep in Heavenly Peace. He emailed this to all of us.**

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday, 12 November 2024

Present: Mike Van Handel, Brenda Luedeman, T. J. Sorensen, Kelly Fitzgerald, Andy Schumacher, and Fr. Bob

Excused: Joanne Reykdal, Ann Weiss

- **Acceptance of minutes from last meeting.**
- **Approved Agenda.**
- **Discussion of Chapters 8 and 9 of *Beautiful Eucharist*.**
- **Sleep In Heavenly Pease – TJ provided and update on donations and upcoming build dates. Have built 620 beds YTD**
- **General Updates / Comments**
 1. **Annual snowshoes and pants collection.**
 2. **Annual Meeting – no items were brought up.**
 3. **Parish Maintenance - staffing update**
 4. **Spaghetti Supper in September had close to 200 attend.**
 5. **GOF: Vocations Night – had a panel of five discuss their vocations and their calling. Also, vocation presentations were made at Fr. Allouez School, Resurrection Campus.**

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, 7 January 2025

Present: Kelly Fitzgerald, Brenda Leudeman, Joanne Reykdal, Andy Schumacher, T. J. Sorensen, Mike Van Handel and Fr. Bob

Excused: Ann Weiss

- Acceptance of minutes from last meeting.
- Discussion of Chapters 10 and 11 of *Beautiful Eucharist* took place completing the reading of this text. We will begin to discuss a new book, *The Three Ordinary Voices of God*, written by Matthew Kelly at our Parish Council meeting on March 4. Be prepared to talk about chapter 1.
- General Updates / Comments
 1. Annual winter shoes / jackets / snow pants drive collected 15 jackets, 75 youth shoes, 26 adult shoes and 160 snow pants to benefit 6 Green Bay Area Elementary Schools. All recipients expressed sincere thanks for the donations.
 2. The St. Matthew Outreach and Endowment fund received a gift of \$75,000 from a donor along with \$17,380 from Christmas collections. These contributions will enable continued support of St. Matthew outreach projects.
 3. The Men's Club from St. Matthew will hold their fundraising social chicken dinner on March 6 at the Swan Club. Tickets can be purchased after mass for \$25.
 4. T.J. provided the 2024 Year-End Report for SHP. The total number of beds delivered since the project began in February 2021 is 2,215. In 2024, they delivered 804 beds – an increase of 27% over those delivered in 2023. 1,566 volunteers have participated in building the beds and over \$34,000 of bedding donations were received. Additionally, SHP De Pere received a delivery van to enable them to better receive and deliver donations and finished beds. St. Matthew will have a team of volunteers who will assist in the construction of more beds on February 2nd.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, 4 March 2025

Present: Brenda Leudeman, Joanne Reykdal, Mike Van Handel, Ann Weiss and Fr. Bob Kabat

Excused: Andy Schumacher, TJ Sorensen, Kelly Fitzgerald

- **Acceptance of minutes from last meeting.**
- **Discussion of pp 1-13 of *The Three Ordinary Voices of God*, written by Matthew Kelly took place. For our next meeting be prepared to complete reading chapter 1 of this book in which Kelly describes how God makes himself known to us through the three “ordinary” voices: need, talent, and desire.**
- **New Membership of Parish Council**
Ann has completed her terms of membership, so Fr. Bob will promote applications to join the Council within the parish.
Mike and Andy are up for renewal or change and can inform the council at our next meeting.
- **Other Business**
 - **Parish Landscaping Project**
DS Landscape will do the Rectory landscaping
Woodlilys-Joel Boulanger will do the Parish School / Holy Name
 - **Painting of Parish Office**
This has not been done for many years and is necessary to improve the appearance of the office. In addition, there was a \$10,000 donation to refurbish the parish kitchen.
 - **Endowment Fund grants coming soon**
These funds make a significant contribution the community service projects sponsored by the Parish.
 - **Diocesan Planning Meeting that was held on 28 February.**

All priests in the Diocese of Green Bay and DePere met to discuss the formation of a committee to engage in planning the placement of clergy for Green Bay and DePere. Anissa and Stacy will represent St. Matthews on this committee.

- The next Parish Council meeting is on 6 May 2025 at 6:30 p.m.**

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, 6 May 2025

Present: Brenda Leudeman, Joanne Reykdal, Mike Van Handel, Ann Weiss, Fr. Bob Kabat, Andy Schumacher, TJ Sorensen, Kelly Fitzgerald

- Acceptance of minutes from last meeting.
- Discussion of pp 13-24 of *The Three Ordinary Voices of God*, written by Matthew Kelly took place.
- New Membership of Parish Council
Ann has completed her terms of membership, so Fr. Bob will promote applications to join the Council within the parish.
- Other Business
 1. Discussion of Planning Meeting
Anissa and Stacy attended this meeting and reported that a plan is being developed to determine the needs for priests in the parishes and the potential effects of cultural differences of priests in their parish assignments.
 2. Resurrection Parish Leadership
There will be a new priest assigned to Resurrection Parish. The parish will celebrate the stewardship of Fr. Tom, their current priest, on June 29.
 3. Sleep in Heavenly Peace Report
TJ provided an overview of the beds made and delivered since Feb; 2021 (2,436 beds). This year they have delivered 221 of these beds and have a waitlist of 26 kids who will be getting their beds soon.
There are upcoming builds on June 13th and June 21st.
 4. Outreach Endowment Grants
A summary of the endowment grants awarded in March 2025 from the 2024 earnings was provided. A total of \$10,700.83 was available and awarded.
 5. A special thank you to Amy for her service on the council. Her contributions to the group have provided us with valuable insights. We will miss her at our meetings.