

Parish Council Meeting Minutes – April 15, 2026

1. Chairperson Kristal Schaefer called the meeting to order
2. Attendees: Kristal Schaefer, Jill Halligan, Phyllis Avesing, Ed Kocal, Ray Harre, Mary Nelson, Wendy Schnack, Shirley Schmidt, Chris Rubley, Bob Brus, Pat Becker, Mike Moellenbeck and Janine Stevens

Excused Absence: Deacon Matt Levy

3. Opening Prayer: Led by Phyllis Avesing
4. Previous Minutes Reviewed: Bob Brus motioned to accept minutes. Chris Rubley second. Kristal asked for vote. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried.

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Parish-at-Large: Bob Brus

- Nothing to Report

5.2 Parish-at-Large: Kristal Schaefer

- Nothing to Report

5.3 Building and Grounds-Reported by Ed Kocal, Chairperson

- Spring Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday May 16, 2026 9am-11:30pm with pizza and pop provided after
- Discussion regarding removal of the spiraea shrubs along parking lot

5.4 Faith Formation – Reported by Janine Stevens

- Easter book give-away was done after Mass
- May 17, 2026 will be a Mass recognizing this year's high school and college graduates, including their participation during the Mass
- Next meeting will be April 26, 2026 after Mass to discuss next fiscal year's budget

5.5 Justice and Peace-Reported by Ray Harre, Chairperson

- Nothing to Report

5.6 Christian Services-Reported by Jill Halligan on behalf of Mary Nelson

- Churches United meal served 60 on March 13, 2026
- An additional dinner is scheduled to be served on Monday April 20, 2026 because of open nights (no other Quad City Churches available)
- Next Churches United meatloaf dinner is on May 8, 2026.
- Next Food Pantry will be May 19, 2026.

5.7 Sisters in Christ-Reported by Wendy Schnack, Chairperson

- Bake Sale on April 24-25, 2026 at Bonnie Strong's house – proceeds will be used for purchase of benches in Rosary Garden
- Craft Show / Bake Sale voted and approved for Sept 19, 2026

- Budget for next fiscal year of \$2,400 voted and approved

5.8 Welcoming-Pat Becker

- No new members this month

5.9 Worship and Prayer-Reported by Shirley Schmidt, Chairperson

- Nothing to Report

5.10 Phyllis Avesing reported on Religious Education nights

- 7th session was held the 1st Wednesday of April. The topic was Mary, the Mother of God and the Saints.

5.11 Knights of Columbus-Reported by Chris Rubley, Grand Knight

- Cash Donations of \$422 received for Food for Families (Buffalo Food Pantry)
- Blessed Father McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, is one step away from Sainthood. The link I am supplying was shared during the KofC Convention. The story has been submitted as the second miracle to make Father McGivney a Saint.
- Please review this 6 min video about a student in Iowa.
- A Silver Rose scheduled for Muscatine council 1305 Muscatine on Thursday 05/07/2026 (see Grand Knight for more information)
- K of C is filling out an application for a speaker from the Women's Choice Center in May 2026

5.12 Finance Report-Reported by Mike Moellenbeck, Chairperson

March 2026 – (Current Month Financials)

- Total Revenue \$3,948 – includes unrealized loss in investments of \$15,330.
- Total Expenses \$14,456
- Net Loss for the month is \$10,508.

Fiscal Year 2025/26 (9-month Financials)

- Total revenue from all sources is \$188,946 which is \$6,171 ahead of the 9-month budget of \$182,775. Total income budget for the year is \$243,700.
- Total expenses year-to-date are \$160,128 which is \$21,297 under the 9-month budget of \$181,425. Total expenditures for the year are budgeted at \$241,900.
- After 9 months, year-to-date income is \$28,817 which is \$27,017 ahead of the year-end total budget of \$1,800.

1. Revenue Comments

March income includes unrealized loss in investments of \$15,330.

March income also includes \$1,237 for the surplus ADA collection.

Envelopes and offertory for the year \$131,502 vs. 9-month budget of \$159,000.

Need \$26,833/month for the next 3 months to hit year end budget of \$212,000.
(March was \$19,095).

2. Expense Comments

Year-to-date Administration Expense is \$124,724 compared to the 9-month budget of \$138,750. Under budget by \$14,026. The only line items in Admin expenses exceeding budget are Technology Expenses (51135), \$1,547 and Contracted Services (51134), \$471.

Other expense categories have no major deviation from budget

3. ADA Summary

Our ADA goal for 2025/26 is \$24,669 of which we have \$30,796 pledged. Of the pledged amount \$25,716 has been paid.

4. Other

Old Business

- Directory Update – Draft for review will be delivered to Deacon Matt on 04/21/2026

New Business

- Financial Stewardship
 - Discussions held regarding the analysis of the past 6 years offerings decline of 15%
 - Discussion of Parishioner pledge cards

Pat Becker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ed Kocal seconded. All members present voted in favor, and there were no votes against.

Shirley Schmidt closed with a prayer

Next meeting is scheduled for 6:00pm June 10, 2026. Combined meeting with Finance Council