

St. Andrew Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 14, 2024

1. Chair Deb Ehrecke called meeting to order.
2. Present: Deb Ehrecke, Joan Martz, Jill Halligan, Ray Harre, Shirley Schmidt, Kristal Schaefer, Deacon Matt Levy, Kathy Elliott Chris Rubley, Ed Kocal and Bob Brus Absent: Mike Moellenbeck, Pat Sheehey, and Mary Nelson
3. Opening prayer: Led by Deacon Matt Levy
4. Previous Minutes review: Motion by Kristal Schaefer, 2nd by Shirley Schmidt, and Ray Harre to approve minutes. Passed
5. Commission Reports
 - 5.1. Buildings and Grounds – Ed Kocal reported.
 - Low water pressure in Women’s Restroom by Kitchen – Ed is looking into problem.
 - Cameras are up and access to viewing has been completed on Ed, Chris Matt and Jill phones.
 - Eucharistic chapel -Matt discussed the need for Diocese Approval. Matt will obtain Father Tom Hennen’s opinion and, then, have further discussions with new Bishop and Diocese.
 - Resealing of Parking lot and striping was prioritized to have completed this fall, Ed has bids; Motion by Kathy Elliott, 2nd by Kristal Schaefer.
 - Brick and Foundation work, along with Windows Caulking (all small windows) was also a priority to be done before weather gets bad. Motion by Kristal Schaefer, 2nd by Shirley Schmidt.
 - Snow Removal was discussed. We need a couple of bids for decision.
 - 5.2. Faith Formation – Deb reported on behalf of Brenda Todd. Meeting scheduled for August 25, 2024
 - Rel. Ed. –We need more Religious Ed teachers in several classes, Deacon Matt reported.
 - Rel. Ed – Student #'s are down.
 - Movie Night had approx. 14 kids participating with approx. 25 adults. Movies shown were Raising the Giants, The Girl who Believed in Miracles, and The Overcomer.
 - 5.3. Peace & Justice – Ray Harre reported: Quarterly amount of \$1,880 was distributed equally to Humility Homes \$ Services, Buffalo Food Pantry, Café on Vine, and C.O.A.R. Peace Mission. Next Meeting scheduled for October 2024.
 - 5.4. Christian Service – Deb reported on behalf of Brenda. Food pantry was served on 7/16/24 and next date is 09/17/2024, Churches United Meal was served on 7/12/24 and next meal is 09/13/2024.
 - 5.5. Mary’s Angels – Deb reported. Meeting was August 5, 2024 with 10 ladies present. Deb provided pizza as a thank you from the Ehrecke family for Carol’s funeral luncheon.
 - Gina reported on Ladies Monday Luncheon with 12-14 women attending. Kathy reported Hospitality is going well after Mass.
 - Deb reported about progress of the Craft/Vendor Show along with the Bake Sale and Lunch items being sold, as well.
 - Discussed the changing of Halligan McCabe \$100.00 check being issued to the Church instead of Mary’s Angels, because the Church is now buying necessary funeral luncheon supplies.
 - Quarterly Donations were voted: \$50 to Tim Rhoades for advertising and printing City Wide garage sale maps. \$50 to Blue Grass Bugle, \$100 to Blessing Box and \$100 to Buffalo Food Pantry.
 - Discussions were also held regarding Movie Night, Father Bud’s Potluck, Ice Cream “Sundae” Sunday and Annual Picnic in October.
 - Next Meeting will be Monday Sept 9, 2024 at 6:00pm
 - 5.6. Parish at Large – Kristal Schaefer reported.
 - Concerns on Paper Cups for Coffee being too hot to hold.
 - Bob Brus reinstated term until Oct 2024
 - Movie Night suggestions: More Speakers and Movie Titles for Next Time.
 - 5.7. Welcoming – Kathy Elliott met with Deacon Matt & Lisa Levy on 07/14/2024, Lisa Smith on 07/21/2024 and John & Ann Friede on 07/28/2024.

- 5.8. Worship & Prayer – Shirley Schmidt Meeting has been scheduled for August 21, 2024 to Discuss Rosary Garden involving Ed (grounds) and Phyllis (overseer). Also, Choir Meeting on Sept 4 at 6:30pm
- 5.9. Knights of Columbus – Chris Rubley reported the Knights held their Meeting on Aug 12 with 6 people attending.
- The council voted to donate \$100 to Father’s stone or tree.
 - Making plans to remove the five fence poles at the old dumpster site.
 - The Knights purchased a plaque dedicated to the past eight Grand Knights since the order was formed in 2002.
- Next meeting is Sept 9, 2024.
- 5.10. Finance – Joan Martz reported.
- 8/10/24 ADA Goal was \$28,512. Pledged \$30,054, collected \$29,036. Add in Bulletin a reminder that ADA campaign will be ending soon and to forward final payments to Diocese.
 - 8/20/24 Capital Campaign Goal \$321,142. Pledged \$226,455 and paid \$135,515 (59.8%). \$15,769 received from diocese and deposited. Approx \$11,334 available for Parking Lot Sealing. Motion by Shirley, 2nd by Chris Rubley. Matt will contact Diocese for procedures to obtain money. Finance Council will also have to vote.
 - On Financial report review: Acct 51120 Priest Aid Insurance of \$8,257 is the annual total paid in full. Acct 51137 Diocesan Insurance Fund of \$2,779 is quarterly amount. Acct 51400 Faith Formation is for RE books and VBS expenses. Balance Sheet was noted that approx. 6,000 was earned in Aug 2024 on Money Market CD’s at Blue Grass Bank. Edward Jones Acct is quarterly interest. Our Church Bank Balance is \$23,900.
6. Old Business
- 6.1. Parish at Large Position: Bob Brus was in attendance tonight and agreed to fulfill his term through Oct 2024.
- 6.2. Father Bud’s Potluck was a great success. Served approx. 130 parishioners!! Forward picture to Barb for printing in The Catholic Messenger.
- 6.3. Scheduled Parish Picnic/Installation for October 6, 2024
- 6.4. Parish Pictorial Directory -At this time, our pictures have been lost. Discussion to take new pictures in the Spring and publish internally.
7. New Business
- 7.1. Tabernacle Relocation: Matt to discuss with Father Tom Hennen and New Bishop and Diocese.
- 7.2. Rosary Garden – Worship & Prayer Committee to oversee.
- 7.3. Seder Meal (Passover meal) – During Holy Week.
- 7.4. Committee Goals – Each Committee should establish a goal each year
- 7.5. Churches United letter received for Donation – Ray will send an application.
- 7.6. Church Website – Ask Barb R to attend next meeting and discuss back-up person.
- 7.7. Church Facebook – Ask Kelly about Administrator rights.
- 7.8. Request for Homily & Gospel to be recorded and put on Website.
8. Adjournment Motion made by Ray Harre, 2nd Kristal Schaefer.
9. Closing prayer offered by Deacon Matt Levy
10. Next meeting is scheduled Sept 11, 2024, 6:00 pm. Respectfully submitted, Jill Halligan on behalf of Brenda Todd, secretary.