

St. Columbkille
Parish Council Meeting
May 19, 2022
Submitted: May 28, 2022

Mission Statement

We are a Catholic community, drawing people to follow Jesus and his message of love.

Meeting Attendees: John Parente, Michael Ondo, Debbie Harris, Patty Petrauskas, Corky Pishock, Richard Snyder, Charlene Wysocki, Brian Quinn, Father Rich Clement and Lori Psota.

Opening Prayer: Father Rich

Review & Approval of Minutes: The April 21, 2022 minutes were approved via email by Charlene Wysocki and Mike Ondo.

Old Business:

Capital Campaign Update:

Facilities Faith Life II: Our pledge period ended on June 30, 2021. Total pledges were \$767,597.13 from 259 parish families. Of this amount, total pledges paid to date are: \$748,829.77 (97.6% of total pledged amount). The pledge balance due is currently \$18,767.36 (2.4% of total pledged amount).

We will continue to collect payments on pledges for the remainder of the 2022 year.

\$44,943.78 was initially advanced from other accounts to pay off the final Burkey Construction bill once the renovation was complete. To date, we have paid back \$12,500 with pledged receipts. \$32,443.78 remains to be repaid. The goal is that with an anticipated 40% satisfaction rate of remaining pledge payments, we will have a net shortfall (cost to the parish) of approximately \$24,714.54.

Respectfully submitted by Gayle Fontaine on 5/19/2022.

Building Expansion Update: Presented by Father Rich
We are still working on chiller for Father Quinn room. Unsure of installation date and price.

100th Anniversary Celebration: presented by Charlene Wysocki
155 parishioners attended the dinner dance. First weekend of directory photos complete. Parishioners who are unable to schedule an appointment are able to submit a tasteful photo with a \$10 fee. Parishioners who are now in assisted living and/or nursing facilities may submit their own photo free of charge. Two time slots are still available for June 11th. Volunteers are needed to greet and sign in parishioners for Saturday, June 11th.

New Business:

Protecting God's Children requirements:

Anyone who has been contacted by Liza, please finish requirements as soon as possible. Please keep her update on your status. Liza needs to provide documentation to the diocese that the church is compliant.

Committee Reports:

Building & Grounds:

- Continuing to work on getting AC in Quinn Hall.
- Thank you to Carl for continuing with the landscaping.

Finance: Submitted by Gayle Fontaine 5/19/2022

- FY 22-23 Budget meeting was held on Thursday, April 28th. The committee discussed the budget and made some preliminary changes.
- The committee will meet again in June - date TBD, to firm up the numbers, and sign off on the budget.
- The committee will also review the current FFL II pledge payment status, as well as the Statement of Assets, and some suggestions for investment options going forward in the new Fiscal year.

Fundraising: Mike Ondo – no formal report

- Michael Lineman has resigned from chairing this committee. Father Rich asked for volunteers to take over this task – preferable more than just one person due to the amount of work.
- Volunteers came forward to lead the committee as a team: Brandon Frederick, Charlene Wysocki, Gus Szamboti and his fiancée Peggy.
- Discussion took place regarding “Plastic Cash” and/or “Script” fundraising. Details and logistics will need to be worked out. Also need to decide if the Knights of Columbus or the Fundraising committee (or in partnership together) lead this fundraising task.
- Another item presented was using Quinn Hall (once the AC is installed) as another avenue to raise funds for the church. Logistics would need to be in place regarding the management, cleaning, rental rate and use of caterer. Patty Petrauskas will create a proposal to be reviewed at a future meeting.

Knights of Columbus: presented by Rich Snyder

- Last breakfast – May 15th. Next breakfast will be held in October.
- Officer election will take place at the next meeting
- Baby bottle campaign funds will be used to purchase an ultrasound machine.
- Five entries were received for the Knights scholarship.

Human Concerns: Submitted by Corky Pishock - notes from the May 4th meeting:

- Bereavement Committee: Two funeral luncheons were held this past month.
- Pro-Life: The Knights of Columbus has donated \$1,000 to our Bowl-a-thon campaign which raises the total donated to Mary's shelter to \$3,864.
- Catie's Wish: In spite of some setbacks, Candee was able to have the “Happies” (small bottles of hand sanitizer) arrive at St. Jude's in time for Catie's April 23rd Birthday.
- Mother's Day Carnation Sale: May 7 & 8
- Mother's Day Cards/Petitions: As of now, the total collected for the Iona Memorial Fund is \$777.
- Father's Day Cards/Petitions: They will be available to purchase the weekends of June 4/5 and 11/12.
- A Special Connection: Nothing new to report.
- St. Vincent DePaul: No report.
- Reminder: Parish directory photo scheduled for Tuesday, May 24th at 6:00.
- Next Meeting: June 1, 2022 (Planning meeting for 2022/2023).

Evangelization:

- Following Christ: The next part of the Christ Life program, Following Christ, began on Wednesday, April 27. It is a 7-week program on how and what it takes to be a disciple of Christ. Another full-day retreat is planned for Saturday, June 11th.
- FORMED.ORG introduced to the parish with a letter from Fr. Rich this past weekend.
- FORMED is a premium online program with more than 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books and even cartoons for children. FORMED has content from more than 60 apostolates, including Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press and the Knights of Columbus.
- Fr. Rich, Deacon Joe, and Denise Stull attended a coaching session from the Augustine Institute on ideas for launching this program. Deacon Joe will be following up with specific content to parishioners use Flocknote.

Youth Group: Submitted by Heather Shainline

- No new notes since the last report.
- Next meeting is Sunday, May 22 (pending teens sign up to attend). We will celebrate our seniors and have our end-of-year celebration.
- Four teens have signed up for CHWC and four teens have signed up for Steubenville.

Parish/Staff Items: no items

Closing Prayer by Father Rich.

Our next meeting will be held on June 16, 2022 at 7:30 (following daily Mass).

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Psota
Recording Secretary