

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Finance Council Meeting
September 17, 2024

Present: Sue Biedlingmaier – Business Manager, Teri Thomas – School Principal, Sean Calvin – Director of Liturgy and Music, Cathy Thompson – Bookkeeper, Greg Balan, Phil DeJeager, Cliff Ditzhazy, John Pauli, Jason Plackowski

Absent: Fr. Marc Gawronski – Pastoral Administrator

- **Church Repairs** – Sue provided an update on the church renovation project, which was completed in the summer months, including plastering and new paint throughout the church. Funding for these renovations primarily came from parishioner donations. Future projects include replacing the A/C unit in the church, renovating the lower level of the church to better utilize the space and putting a railing on the front steps.
- **School Update** – Teri provided an update on the school and the preschool renovations within the school building. Renovations for the preschool expansion have been paid primarily using school savings, as well as donations and various grants applied for. Teri mentioned that the primary contractor, Blue Line Building Co., was fantastic. Currently, enrollment for all classes, including 42 preschool children, is at 222 students, which is slightly down from last year.
- **St. Tim's Update** – Sean, also a member on the St. Tim's Transition Team, informed the members that there was a proposal to close the church the last Sunday of November. The Archbishop needs to sign off on that proposal before any further action is taken.
- **CSA Update** – Cathy and Sue shared the CSA summary sheet for the new 2024-2025 year, with a parish goal of \$86,839, of which \$63,935 has been pledged by 119 families to date.
- **Financials** – Cathy presented a review of the financials through August 31, 2024. Members discussed some of the budget vs. actual line items. As of August 31, there was a YTD surplus of \$130,123, which was \$122,149 above the budgeted surplus of \$7,974 for the two months ending August 31, 2024. The FY25 budget and the FY24 financials through June 30, 2024 were submitted to the AOD. The fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 showed a \$94,645 net surplus for the year, with cash checking and savings totaling approximately \$1,286,000.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 5:30pm.