

St. Patrick Consolidated Parish Meeting

St. Patrick Consolidated Parish Meeting, Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Present members were as follows:

- *Pastoral Council*: Larry Huinker, Kari Dearborn,
- *Finance Council*: Bob Gravel, Nick Agne, Julie Corpstein, Jeremy Venenga
- *Board of Education*: Shannon Clark, Mike Dearborn, Megan Thomas, Amanda Ruggles, Jeff Thomsen
- *Faith Formation Commission*: Rick Delagardelle, Robin Pospisil, Shirley Rosencrans
- *Liturgy Committee*: Geri Conley, Charlotte Scheckel, Lori Knuth
- *Parish Life*: Patty Delagardelle, Lavone Ludwig, Laurie Sperfslage, Carol Husmann
- *Social Justice Committee*: Darci Wagner, Jayson Wagner, Bill Sperfslage, Connie Gogel
- *Staff*: Fr. Sean Smith, Amber Sievers, Jennifer Kelly, Terrie Prybil, Julia Clair

Kari Dearborn Welcomed everyone

Kari Dearborn opened in prayer

- Review of Minutes from December, 2024 meeting
- Minutes Approved
 - 1- Carol Husmann
 - 2- Larry Huinker
- Review of Agenda
- Agenda Approved
 - 1- Julie Corpstein
 - 2- Lori Sperfslage
- Father Sean mentioned the arrival of new babies in our parish family
 - Deacon David & Sheila have a new granddaughter, Demetra Rose, first grandchild
 - Our principle Diane Bradford has her first grandchild Rose Marie
- Fr. Sean
 - ACCW- Cedar Rapids Deanery is trying to reinvigorate the local archdiocese council of catholic women in this Deanery. Fr. Sean is the spiritual guide.
 - Catholic Leadership Institute Update 140-150 surveys including 4-5 papers. Reports still not available, next couple weeks we should be getting some feedback.
 - Next week or two we will be sending out mailing for Lent with a calendar for all the things going on during lent.
 - This year St. Patrick is going to have Good Friday Service - please discuss in your groups, a time that would work and we will discuss after the breakout
 - Easter Vigil is at St. Stephens- have a baptism at St. Stephens
 - Early morning Mass time during lent on Fridays - 6:00 am or 6:30 am

- Fish Fry: We are a month away from the fish fry. After talking with Julie and her challenges and the difficulties in putting together a team to work it, we are not going to have a fish fry this year so will do a No Fry Fish Fry Fundraiser to help with the budget

- Individual Council/Board Meetings - 4 Minute Recap:
 - Bill Sperflage on behalf of the Knights of Columbus gave the school a check for \$1,507 that they raised for Catholic Schools Week.

 - Finance: Bob Gravel
 - Reviewed increase in ACH giving and ideas to help with this
 - Putting something in the bulletin, email, Father saying something in his homily
 - Discussed how to talk to people about STO

 - Faith Formation: Jennifer Kelly
 - The programs are going really well but did have to cancel due to weather.
 - Next week we have reconciliation for our kids to prepare them for Lent
 - April 30th faith formation wraps up
 - Hoping to have all the catechists back for next year
 - SHE is going really well. March 2nd is our last one. Looking to have this again in the fall.
 - TMIY- done mid April
 - Beauty in Christ Jan. 25th we had 36 attendees, 4 members from the cluster. Hosted at St. Patrick. Next year, St. Stephen will host hopefully
 - Talking about adding two additional tvs if we are going to continue have big groups so we can be spread out and not have to be huddled to see one tv
 - Stations of the Cross Fridays at 5:30pm for Lent.
 - Eucharist Revival coming back by popular demand
 - Sunday, March 9- April 20th
 - 7:30 am light breakfast, 8:00 am start video presentation
 - Age 14 and above.
 - Parish Mission April 26 & 27 Doug & Dave Show
 - Saturday 4 pm Mass, 5 pm Meal , 6 pm Show
 - Sunday 5 pm Meal, 6 pm Show

 - Family Adoration Hour 6-7 pm for families to bring kids so they don't feel like they are interrupting others.
 - Expanding Church hours during Lent, will parishioners take advantage of the extra hours?
 - CEW is March 14-16 at the Bean Farm

 - School Board: Megan

- Middle of talking about FAST test scores
- Spring Gala is Mar 29, 2025 at Scooters
- Looking for a new School Board Member to replace a person who needed to resign
- There have been so hiccups with the HVAC system however it seems to be working again

- Liturgy: Charlotte Scheckel
 - Good Friday Service suggested to be at 6pm and not 3pm for more people to attend
 - Easter 10:30 am Easter Sunday here at St. Patrick

- Parish Life: Patty
 - Adult game night is this Friday, Feb. 21 6:15 pm
 - Friday, Feb. 28 family bingo 6:15 pm
 - March 28 adult game night 6:15 pm
 - New Melleray Monastery trip April 24
 - April 26 & 27 helping with Mission meals
 - May 4th Father's 5 year Ordination Anniversary Celebration
 - July- Aug- Sept. Farmers Market
 - 60+ luncheon possibly in June again
 - *Let's make a meal* had 8 more families that we served this last time. Have made meals for 30 families since starting this.

- Social Justice Committee: Darci Wagner
 - Lenten Service project for April 8 at 6:30 pm to assemble food and hygiene bags for Willis Daddy
 - Asking for people to bring in specific items and then do an assembly line
 - Partnering with faith formation on this

- Pastoral Council- Kari
 - Met in conjunction with the Finance Committee so no additional report

- Other Items: Patty asked again about the progress of the parish directory. Julia asked for volunteers to help with this project. She will reach out to Emily and Ruthanne at St. Stephen. The following people said that they would help: Shannon Clark (Photography), Geri Conley, Charlotte Scheckel, Gregg & Robin Pospisil, Carol Husmann

- Closing prayer: led by Bill Sperfslage

Next meeting is Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall