

St. Andrew the Apostle Parish
Monthly Council Meeting
Jun 17th, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

In Attendance: Fr. Greg, Maryann Hockstad, Ann Dickson, Dcn Lauro and Lupita Teran, Lorna Cook, Charlie Irwin, Yvonne Ramey, Pauline Fredericks, Fran Cassidy, and Kate Callender (recording)

Excused: Linda Klein, Chuck Muscato, Michelle Mitchell, Linda Denno, Tom Felix, Damian Rueda, Thad Larson

Fr. Greg called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and led the group in an opening prayer. There were no changes or corrections to the May minutes.

Budget approval: The Council voted to approve the fiscal year 2026 budget as amended from last month's meeting. Additionally, the capital budget was adjusted down to \$50,000 because of better cost estimates for parking lot repaving and renovations to the Youth Wing.

Finance (Kate): Income for May was \$132,865. This includes a bequest from Ed and Margaret Harms. Donations from Good Shepherd Mission totaled \$1,235. Expenses were \$79,508. The average weekly offering for May was \$17,497. The Parish General Fund level is \$652,729 and the Building Our Church balance is \$90,234.

Ladies of St Andrew (Fran): Donations have been steadily coming in for the annual Bazaar. The Ladies received a report from Joan Martin regarding their support of the Haiti Mission.

Youth Ministry News (Yvonne): Fundraisers have generated \$5,000 in donations for the Steubenville West conference. A pancake breakfast fundraiser is scheduled within the coming weeks. Nine college students from the Parish are home for the summer and are volunteering with youth programs. The Seekers group trip to the Grand Canyon trip has been postponed to July.

Faith-Based Nursing (Lorna): Twenty more donors are needed for the blood drive scheduled for Saturday July 5th. The Parish Nursing team can accept sign-ups. The nurse team conducted Narcan training for volunteers at St Vincent de Paul last month. The team is most grateful for the generous donation from the Chouinard family.

St Vincent de Paul Society (Pauline): Fry's, Safeway and Target have made large donations of food to the Food Bank. The Thrift Store will move forward with installation of security cameras. Volunteers have repaired part of the exterior walls of the Thrift Store. As always, the Parish gives tremendous monetary support to the Conference each month and all Vincentians are deeply grateful.

Our Lady of the Sierras Foundation (Charlie): A memorial Mass for Shrine founder Pat Chouinard was celebrated today on the fifth anniversary of her death. A requiem Mass for her husband, founder Gerald Chouinard will be offered at St. Andrew on June 28th.

Annual Catholic Appeal (Ann): The Parish not only met, but exceeded the Goal, reaching 140%, \$187,000! Council Members expressed overwhelming gratitude for the generosity of our Parishioners.

Pipe Organ and Music News (Maryann reporting for Michelle): The Patriotic Pipes Concert is scheduled for July 11th. Cecelia Kjolsrud will be joining the Music Ministry during the summer as an intern.

Board of Directors Meeting: The meeting paused here to telephonically conduct the Board of Directors meeting with Fr. Greg as proxy for Bishop Kicanas and Conan Bardwell, Diocesan CFO, as proxy for Moderator of the Curia, Fr. Ed Lucero.

Building and Grounds (Maryann): The Maintenance staff continue to stay abreast of campus needs. Special thanks Sandra Martin, Val Robles, Wilma Bernardo, and James Harper for their many extra hours in keeping the grounds beautiful.

Office Administration News: The Parish will change phone service provider to Allo effective in August as the company offers a better consolidation of services as well as a better monthly rate.

Pastor Report: Fr. Greg expressed thanks to Deacon Lauro for accompanying him to the Prison in Douglas each month and providing music ministry to the inmates. Ethan Salerno has been accepted for the Seminary and will be leaving in August. Fr. Greg expressed gratitude to Maryann for the many hours she gives of her time supporting the Parish.

Fr. Greg adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m. and led the group in a closing prayer.