

Members

Name	Present
Fr. Andrew Vogel	X
Bill Fitzpatrick, Trustee	X
Karen Kohlmeyer, Cemetery Trustee	X
Jean Meyer, Chair	X
Mike Moriarty, Trustee	X
Butch Shuda, Contract Maintenance	X
Debi Shuda, Parish Bookkeeper	X
VACANT	

MINUTES

Opening Prayer

Accept previous meeting minutes:

Motion by Mike and seconded by Butch to accept the May 30, 2023 minutes with the following corrections. Carried:

Under 2. Parish Finances:

b. add to motion "...money that comes out of checks from the Permanent Care Fund will go to the Cemetery Fund."

c. end of sentence: "... funeral donation to the Cemetery."

Action: "funds will be deposited into the Parish Cemetery Account."

1. Pastor's Report

a. **Deposit Safe:** Update on purchase & installation

Fr. Matt had ordered the safe and it has arrived. Butch will install in the broom closet area in Sacristy

b. Upcoming Events

Fr. Vogel will be leaving for LA on Thursday of this week until Monday.

2. Parish Finances

a. **Weekly Deposits:** Update on status. Revisit question with Fr. Vogel

Debi is working with the counters on collection days to make the deposits. All have agreed that one of the counters will complete the deposit.

b. Presentation of Financial Reports: Debi

Motion to accept: Motion by Karen and seconded by Bill to accept the financial reports as presented. Carried.

c. Bill & Jan Howes Memorial Scholarship: Debi reported that Jan Howes approached her regarding the initiation of a scholarship fund that will assist with tuition scholarship for students at the Catholic Schools from our parish. The fund will start with a \$5,000 deposit and an annual donation to the fund of \$5,000 will be given thereafter.

3. Parish Outreach/Environment (Jean)

a. No updates currently

4. Buildings and Grounds

a. Butch's Updates:

- Cleaning of Hall floor –

A new to St. Patrick's floor scrubber was donated by ABC Works – La Crescent. Butch needs to check the batteries to see if they work.

- Butch reported that he still needs to replace one of the toilets at the Rectory

- The screen door at the Sacristy was replaced

- The carpet on the steps outside of the Kitchen door of Rectory will be removed and steps painted grey by Butch

- Church basement floors and stairs need to be refinished. Council to consider different vendors and work towards completion in 2024.

b. Bathroom Sinks -- (Karen)

Karen is still working on this project

- c. Jean will create a Priority List on the repair/replace/refurbish work to be done at the Rectory. Volunteers will be recruited to work on areas over the winter. Funds from CCP will be used.
At this time the list has the following needs:
 - 1. New bedding for the beds
 - 2. Two new mattresses
 - 3. New copier for Office -- a new used copier would be \$3500 to \$4000. The current copier could last for another 1-2 years.
- d. The Dehumidifier in the Church basement is off by 15%. American Water Works came to look at and provided a repair estimate of \$180 to repair, plus a \$110 service fee. They also provided a replacement quote of \$1,780, with a 5 year warranty.
ACTION: Motion by Karen and seconded by Mike to have Debi call American Water Works to have the Dehumidifier repaired. Carried.

5. Faith Formation: (Debi)

- a. First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist report: 2024 – No 2nd graders
- b. Confirmation student report: 3 – 9th graders (2 St. Mary's and 1) 4 – 10th graders (2 Crucifixion / 2 St. Mary's)
- c. Youth Activities: Steubenville was awesome, speaker's exceptional, endless times for confessions.
- d. Generations of Faith: 17th Year -- "Sacraments" Sessions on: Sept. 20, Oct. 25, Nov. 29, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, and March 20
There will be extra Faith Formation for 3 Phorocal students.

6. Cemetery: (Karen)

- a. Cemetery Policy: Karen will touch base with Fr. Vogel on the completion of this document
- b. Cemetery Boundaries: The Attorney that was working on this is no longer with the firm. Firm is working on assigning a new Lawyer.
- c. Cemetery fence replacement: One of the adjacent land owners replaced the fencing between their property and the Cemetery property.

7. Other:

- a. Jean and Fr. reported that 5 persons with the Hosea's Heart Program: Scars: Up from Ashes will be staying at the Rectory over the next week.
- b. Kathryn Sexauer expressed interest in being on the Parish Council to Debi. Fr. and Jean will discuss
- c. Teams of our Lady sessions have begun -- a group of couples meet 1 time each month and Fr. Leif leads the group.
- d. 90# of food was donated to the Food Shelf in July. A total of 150# for the months of July and August.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 6:00pm

Closing Prayer/ Adjourn

Motion by Karen and seconded by Bill to adjourn the meeting. Carried.