

MINUTES

Name	Present
Fr. Andrew Vogel	X
Bill Fitzpatrick, Trustee	X
Karen Kohlmeyer, Cemetery Trustee	A
Mary Mell, Member	X
Jean Meyer, Chair	X
Mike Moriarty, Trustee	X
Kathy Sexauer, Member	X
Butch Shuda, Contract Maintenance	X
Debi Shuda, Parish Staff Bookkeeper / Volunteer Youth Coordinator	X
Deacon Bob	X

**Opening Prayer**

**Accept previous meeting minutes:** motion by Mike, seconded by Kathy

1. Pastor's Report

- a. Upcoming Events: St. Mary's Marathon is September 27<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Upcoming Trips/Sessions: mid-Sept. will be attending weddings away
- c. Upcoming Responsibilities: St. Olaf's in Mabel: Fr. Faschnet will preside over Masses.
- d. Distribution of Precious Blood: seems to be going ok since bringing back. Bill mentioned need more wine on the right side of altar when distributing.
- e. Debi reported that the Choir will have Manon Hoscheit to lead on September 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be many of the choir gone that day.

2. Parish Finances

- a. Presentation of Financial Reports: Debi  
**Motion to accept:** motion by Kathy, seconded by Mike to accept financial report as presented.

3. Parish Outreach/Environment (Jean)

- a. Parish Outreach:
  - Current community outreach:
    - Fr. would like to know who in the Parish needs the host taken to them. Mentioned that Delores and Gin R. would need. Ann Fitzpatrick will take care of Delores when not present at Mass. Need to work on distribution to Gin R.
  - Needs of parishioners:
    - October 31<sup>st</sup>: Trunk or Treat
    - October events: Baby Bottle campaign, Food Shelf, and prayer chain
    - November: Deacon suggested that during the month we leave a notebook out for parishioners to sign up those who are deceased. Will then pray for them during month. Deacon would like a listing of the names and families of the deceased.
- b. Parish Environment:
  - Décor: Ordinary Time

4. Buildings and Grounds

- a. Butch's Updates:
  - Catholic Mutual Group conducted their annual inspection, items that have been brought up each year are:
    - Cemetery – headstones need repair
    - Kitchen and Rectory bathrooms -- outlets not GFCI Note: Butch will ask Steve Colsch to look at.
    - Gap in sidewalk by outside Hall sidewalk to steps. Note: Butch will ask Shaun Colsch to replace square.
  - Ceiling tiles in Hall show signs of a leak -- the A/C units on the roof caused the issue. Has been taken care of.
  - Would like to patch cracks and seal coat parking lot in 2025. Note: Butch will schedule in May, 2025
  - Door at Sacristy -- Installed and working – completed during Fall Clean Up Day
  - Cemetery Grounds -- Butch reported that there are trees overgrown at the Cemetery and he would like to cut them back. Council agreed, however, requested that another person must be with him when doing so.

## UPDATE:

- b. Bathroom Sinks -- (Karen) --
    - ✓ Sinks have been delivered and waiting for installation by Foellmi Construction. NOTE: Will be completed on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - c. Rectory Work: (Jean)
    - Purchased shades for renovated bedroom
    - Butch will look at replacing front door lock
    - Mary and Jean will look at getting rid of one dresser in the renovated bedroom
  - d. UPDATE: Cooling system at Rectory: was installed the week of August 19<sup>th</sup> – working well. Cost just over \$5,000
  - e. Donations:
    - Parishioner, Jan Howes, would like to make a donation of between \$500 - \$1,000 for a needed item for the Church. Her suggestion would be for a hand rail at the Altar incline.
      - Environment Group will look into possibilities:
        - Determined that the incline will have different carpet at that site and a small hand rail will be installed.
  - f. CCP will pay for vestments for Deacon – up to 4, and for Fr. – up to 2. Each will need to order and bill St. Patrick's CCP.
  - g. Fall Clean Up Day:
    - Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm
      - Many projects inside and outside to accomplish
        - Dispose of mattresses in Rectory garage
        - Cut down the dead pine trees on south property by church garage
        - Manholes on south side -- paint neon color to see better
5. Faith Formation: (Debi)
- a. Confirmation student report: 7 students: 2025: 3 students (10<sup>th</sup> Grade: Sophia Grams, Ryan Riederer, Summer Colsch) 2026: 2 students (9<sup>th</sup> Grade: Brynn Waters, Sabrina TenKley)
  - b. First Communion student report: Adeleigh Burg will have her First Communion Mass at St. Patrick's. She will study with the Crucifixion Church group.
  - c. Youth Activities:
    - Steubenville – July 12-14, 2024 -- UPDATE: Amazing is the word for the event! Bishop did a blessing. 2 from St. Patrick's attended.
    - Debi mentioned that Deacon provided a mass server training with pizza. 2 youth attended. Perhaps we could offer annually and provide pizza or attend a Logger's game after.
    - Fundraising Activities report: none
    - Children's Lectionary: going well
  - d. Generations of Faith:
    - Professing our Faith: 2024/2025: This year we will present the CREED – What we Believe as Catholic's. Next session is September 18<sup>th</sup> and Fr. Vogel will present.
    - Fr. Vogel wondered about the manner in which Faith Formation is presented at St. Patrick's. He challenged the group to consider looking at new more modern method.
      - Discussion followed that GOF is working well at St. Patrick's and would hate to see a change
      - Fr. Vogel will think about any options and get back to the group at a later date.
    - Debi asked if it was possible to purchase a Room Divider for the downstairs. 10' L x 6' H. She would like to purchase a red divider. The cost is \$650 plus \$150 shipping. Consensus of group to purchase.
      - CCW funds will pay for the divider

6. Cemetery: (Karen)
  - a. Cemetery Policy
  - b. Cemetery Boundaries
  - c. Cemetery fence replacement

**ACTION:** Fr. Vogel and Karen will work together on each of the above areas. **ON HOLD.**

7. Other:
  - a. UPDATE: Choir Music at Mass transition:  
The choir will begin songs under the Mass of Renewal later in September  
✓ The choir has begun practicing already
  - b. Debi provided the Parish Governance document. She thought it might be useful to others as she came across it on the Diocese documents.
  - c. Future considerations for the CCW parish improvements: Cross in the Church and new/updated kneelers in the pews.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Closing Prayer/ Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Kathy and seconded by Mary