

St. Charles Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Opening, Call to Order

Date: April 18, 2023 Time: 6: 30 PM

In Attendance:

Fr. Michael, Deacon Don, Bob James, Pat James, , Mary Beth Briggs, , Maureen Bochman , Andrea Scott, John McCormick, ~~Mike Strub, Terry Strub~~, Bill Nottingham, Karen Leffel, ~~Karey Fallon~~, Kevin Fallon, , David Scott, Scottie Paschall, , Tara Ashworth, Mini Ashworth, Marta Rose, Kevin Rech , ~~Marge Surran~~, Dick Surran

Father opened the meeting with a prayer.

_____ Minutes were approved - Moved Mary Beth _____, Second Deacon Don

Questions, Comments – 3 amp typos were corrected in Parish Life.

Finance Council Reported by:

Archives Chair: Marge Surran

No report

Ecumenical Chair: Mary Beth Briggs

Stations of the Cross with loaned cross from Emmanuel Church.

Facilities Management Chair: Committee

- Maintenance Ministry (as reported by Kevin Fallon)
 - o. A group of parishioners completed the mulching of the church grounds. Recall that we had ODU students that started the mulching project in March.
 - o. The church was deep cleaned by volunteers prior to our confirmation ceremony. A semi-annual deep cleaning will be added to the list of maintenance items and will be performed prior to Easter and Advent. Volunteers will be requested for this task.

Helping Hands Chair: Joan Natali

No report.

Hispanic Ministry: Chair: Guadalupe Panuco

There was a meeting after Mass to discuss – July 30 as a tentative date for anniversary fiesta picnic (not Mass) at KSP.

Migrant Ministry: Chair: Karey Fallon (as reported by Kevin Fallon)

- Migrant Ministry
 - o. We meet with Fr. Michael Imperial who is hosting Fr. Miquel McAndrew on Tuesday, April 18th to discuss the new trends in Migrant Ministry. Fr McAndrew is a Redemptorists priest nationally known for his expansive migrant outreach programs and experience. He is here to introduce his program to the three parishes on the Eastern Shore as well as to engage and expose , if possible, Bishop Knestout and other clergy to the Corporal and Spiritual needs of our Farm Workers and how best they can be met. More information will be provided following the meeting.

Parish Life: Chair: Jeanette Orzo and David Scott

- April 2023 Parish Life Minutes (as reported by Jeanette Orzo & David Scott)

Confirmation Luncheon on March 25, 2023, attended by our Bishop Barry Knestout, Father Michael, Father Imperial and Father from Saint Andrews -Fr. Sonny Guadalupe
We served sandwiches, ham and cheese on rye, roast beef and potato salad on french bread and croissants with chicken salad, tossed salad, potato salad, and Tres Leche cake. Bishop Knestout most enjoyed the croissants with chicken salad.

A purchase order from U-Line for 40 chairs is also available.

Religious Ed: Chair: Kevin Fallon

Religious Education (as reported by Kevin Fallon)

K-11:

o. We continue to hold morning sessions from 11:00 am to 12:15 pm and afternoon sessions from 2:45 pm to 3:50 pm. Our head count has held at 21 children and young adults: 17 for Sacramental Preparation and 4 for continued Faith Formation.

o. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on May 13th, 2023.

o. St Charles Borromeo, St Peter the Apostle and St Andrew celebrated the sacrament of confirmation at St. Charles Borromeo church on March 25th, 2023. We had 38 confirmands confirmed. Bishop Barry C. Knestout and Fr Breslin presided over the ceremony.

Adult Faith Formation (as reported by Deacon Don)

There will be 2 confirmations Pentecost weekend

(as reported by John McCormick)

o. Alpha is ALIVE – 6 guests for first session. There is interest from an additional 6-7 people. It is a mix of people from our parish and other churches. Received a 200\$ donation.

Evangelization

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Fundraising: Chair: Tara Ashworth

- Octoberfest is Sunday of Columbus Day Weekend. Save the date cards and 50-50 raffles are in the works.

Social Ministry: Chair: Mike Strub

- No report.

Worship Chair: Pat Hill and Scottie Paschall

- Excellent job for Holy Week and Easter!! Easter Sunday Mass was FULL! The committee will have an evaluation meeting

New Office Info: Chair: Marta Rose

- Parish Finance Update will be quarterly.
- Columbarium needs to expand and establish a perpetual care fund. Dates are caught up for current niches.

Old Business:

1. Elections – meeting of recruiting committee says that 7 people are interested in parish council and 1 is interested in being appointed to Maintenance Ministry. David Scott will contact them to discuss the responsibilities. If they are still interested, their names will go on a ballot. There will be information in the bulletin. Fr. Michael suggest perhaps a picture and short bio of each candidate in the bulletin.
2. Church Aesthetics – vote for proposal (re: last month's list of desired improvements) to move forward to Finance Council. Motion by Pat James, Second Bob James. Passed.
3. Directory Update – still 7 open slots, therefore 73 people signed up. Need 75 to avoid paying for the directory. Marta will contact the folks who signed up to be in the directory, but have not made the appt. Visitors to the parish may participate.
4. Budget for 23-24 – Adult Faith Formation will now be included. We are in the last stages of the preparation – go, Marta, go!!

New Business:

1. Bishop Appeal goal has been met! There will be a thank you and final call.
2. K o C Scholarship information is out to the local schools.
3. Discussion of combination of parish picnic and fiesta anniversary; vs 2 events
4. Discussion of communion from the front or back – Father is ready to begin from the front again. We will start this weekend.
5. Mass time will change to 9:00 am beginning Memorial Day. It will remain that time.
6. Dick Surran spoke about CPR class – 20 signed up already.

Secretary's Time: (clarification of notes taken, if necessary)

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Pastor's Time & Closing Prayer:

Adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2023 6:30PM