

St. Gabriel the Archangel Church

Approved Parish Council Minutes

October 6, 2022

Members Present: Fr. Jason Harris, Cole McDowell, Deacon Stephen Bowling Deacon Mike Fitzmayer, Kevin Abell (June 2022), Linda Lenhart (June 2023), Stephanie Oliver (June 2023), Rachel Fitzmayer (June 2024), Dennis Comella (June 2024), Dawn Roseberry (June 2022),

Members Absent: Andrew Simpson (June 2023), Evie Yaden (June 2021)

Opening Prayer: Fr. Jason Harris

September meeting minutes approved by: Dennis Comella and Dawn Roseberry

Questions/Concerns/Comments

- Are there more confession times available? Currently it is held Wednesdays 4:45 p.m. – 6:10 p.m., First Saturday of the month from 10:30 a.m.-11:50 a.m., and by appointment. Surrounding parishes have confessions at other times.
- Negative comments received by some regarding the doors on each side of the altar being locked during Mass. There doesn't seem to be a consistent time for them to be locked/unlocked between Masses. Fr. Jason stated the doors should be locked when the bell rings on the hour. He will make a sign to put on the doors and for ushers and sacristans.
- Questions of Tim McGinty leaving/resigning. Fr. Jason accepted Tim's resignation. The following day Tim announced he had a job at St. Aloysius with Fr. John Stoltz. Fr. Jason will be meeting with Tim Oct. 9th
- Fr. Jason has moved a couple offices around in the Parish office. He has moved his office so Steve Mattingly could have a proper office since he is a parish employee as well as a school employee. Fr. Jason has received some criticism for the office move. He is present, but not up front any longer. This allows less interruptions for him, but he is still available. This also empowers leaders to make their own decisions.
- Right to Life will not be placing crosses on the lawn this year. Fr. Jason found this decision was best for the children's safety considering the current civil unrest. The parish will hold 33 days of prayer in place of the crosses.
- Kathy Abell is asking for volunteers from 4:30-until after Drive-in-Movie, and needs people to participate in the Trunk or Treat by decorating the trunk of their car and coming from 4:30-8:45 to pass out candy. She's hoping for 38 trunks to fill the parking lot. Please use Sign Up Genius to participate.

New Business:

- Cole McDowell will lead the Rosary Rally for Winter Sports at the play park on Oct. 7th.
- Stewardship Director – Fr. Jason is not in a hurry to hire a Stewardship leader. He will be the chair for now. Tim McGinty has agreed to help with turning things over. Need info on Lunch Fish Frys, Basketball Tournament, Archery Tournament, July and October events.

- Athletic Coordinator – Youth Sports administrator is needed immediately. Fr. Jason wants a Youth Sports Director PT nights and weekends. We need someone who is up to date with technology and a good communicator. In the interim, someone is needed to coordinate schedules and the gym. Coordination of the team pictures was recently a disaster, which is part of what upset Tim.
- Sports Ministry - We will have some people leave due to Tim resigning. Some are angry. Tim did a lot for coaches. In the future, if coaches want to switch practices, they can go through each other. Sports Ministry needs the gym from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. Mon.-Thurs. Games need to be monitored. Need to get an inventory of the Sports Ministry program, and concessions – (Sports/Stewardship).
- There is an ad on Indeed.com. 18 people have expressed interest in the Stewardship position.
- Stewardship - Sign-up Genius can be used for volunteers for the school and church. It took 70 hours of payroll time to process the Stewardship cards. We need to go directly to the parishioners. We can have different groups speak at the Pancake Breakfast. St. Vincent DePaul recently had 4-5 people join after hearing more about the organization.
- New Member meeting will need to change a bit. Encourage parish involvement and volunteering.
- Mrs. Krill (Principal) gives an email every week with important information. It is long, but she includes ALL important information, and gives all ways we communicate.
- Lisa Matusik will donate \$5,000 to St. Gabriel.
- Fr. Jason would like to put a stained-glass window of St. Gabriel's Annunciation of Mary where the Tabernacle window is. The \$5,000 donation from Ms. Matusik would cover the majority of the expense. Fr. Jason has been in contact with both Father Peter Gray and Mr. Peter Eichorn, both of whom designed and installed all of the stained-glass windows currently in the church. Fr. Peter's expenses would be \$5,000 for his 2 trips to Louisville, the work itself, drawing to scale, template, finishing all the lead painting, and arrangement of the glass. Mr. Eichorn expenses would be \$2,000 for the work of cutting the glass, arrangement for leading the glass and installing the window.
- Nazareth Center update is going to be delayed a year on our schedule.
- PowerSchool will eventually be left to change over to the FACTS program because all information is there for CEF (Catholic Education Funds). The changeover affects HR, Finance Council, Pre-School, and the school. They all need to work together. FACTS will include:
 - Student Information System
 - Reach Alert
 - Website
 - Create shared documents
 - Calendar
 - Grade Book (Schoolology – google classroom based)
 - Digital Report Cards
 - Lunch Count
- School Pre-Registration is October 15th. \$125.00 registration fee will cover additional cost of the FACTS program.

Closing Prayer – Fr. Jason

Next Meeting – November 3, 2022

Submitted by Linda Lenhart, Parish Council Secretary