

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2025

Attendees: Rev. Ted Jost, Robert Coutch, Sharon Coutch, Dan Gerken, Joan Haag, Greg Jones, Sharon Keller, Eileen Lyon, Joe Burke, Lori Baker, Leslie Brooks, Marcia De Fazio, Warren Restine, Katherine Nicaise-Steffen, Chelaine Bauer.

Excused: Rev. Jim Capek, Rev. Paul Mukasa, Deacon Rob Ciezki, Deacon Dennis Conroy, Deacon Carl Koester, Charles Gaughan, Amanda Przyklek, Dick Blake, Judy Shelley, Katherine Sion-Wypij, Colleen Stuart, Jennifer Golinski, Karin Dusza, Rachael Rizzo, Andrea Wahl.

Unexcused: None

The meeting was held in the Parish Meeting Room and was called to order by President Warren Ristine at 7:00 PM.

Approval of the Minutes: The April 7, 2025 Minutes were approved by all.

Opening Prayer: Joan Haag said the opening prayer.

Reading of the Mission Statement: All read the Mission Statement.

Announcements:

Fr. Ted – 29th Ordination Anniversary – Congratulations! Warren noted Fr. Ted is celebrating his 29th ordination to the priesthood. Congratulations were extended.

CJ Wilde's Deaconate Ordination - It was also noted that CJ Wilde is being ordained to the deaconate on May 17 at Our Lady of Pompeii church in Lancaster at 10 AM.

Old Business:

Selection Committee – (May 18, 2025) Dan, Sharon and Colleen:

Dan pointed out that there were three names running for a spot on the Pastoral Council and that there are two spots open. The drawing for those two openings will be at the 11:30 Mass on Sunday May 18. Warren clarified that a person who had previously served on the Pastoral Council is eligible to serve again as long as one year has passed since he/she last serviced. This led to a discussion on the new parish family bulletin, Eternal Flame Catholic Community. Since each family church member has a limited number of pages in the bulletin, there was concern about how to get pertinent information to those members who attend Saints Peter and Paul church and letting them know what is taking place at Saints Peter and Paul. Options such as posting information on the SSPP website or on Facebook were discussed.

Ministry Fair May 17 & 18, 2025 – Joe: Thirty ministries will be represented at the ministry fair. Each ministry has been asked to supply a refreshment for those who are attending the fair. Coffee and other drinks will be provided also. Setting up for the Ministry Fair will take place Saturday morning between 9:00 and 11:00.

AED First Kits: The school is moving the AED first aid kits outside the Chapel. The school has also agreed to purchase a new battery and pads for the AED.

Road to Renewal Update:

Family of Parishes Road to Renewal Update – “Eternal Flame Catholic Community”

Warren noted that the Spiritual Pillar and Outreach are particularly active.

A report from the school was also received. It was noted that the school is very busy.

New Business:

Handicapped Accessibility - It was noted that the St Francis entrance is in need of updating to better accommodate the handicapped; specifically, those who are in wheelchairs or use motorized vehicles for mobility. It was stated that an individual suffered a bad spill at this entrance. It was also pointed out that the access is not very well marked and is narrow. Warren stated that he would look into having this corrected. Fr. Ted stated that this is a job that will probably have to be outsourced.

Subcommittee Updates:

Fellowship Sub Committee – Kathy - Due to the limited size of the bulletin, the announcement for the celebration for Saints Peter and Paul on June 29th at the 11:30 Mass will need to be placed by the end of May. Help will be needed for setup. Kathy is looking into activities for the children: crafts, facepainting, coloring, games, etc. There was also a discussion about having the food inside or outside. It was pointed out that it is much easier to set up inside than outside, weather is an issue if it rains or is too hot, and parking space is limited if eating takes place outside. Also, baskets are needed for raffling. Pastoral council members are requested supply a raffle basket. The baskets should be dropped off the morning of June 29. Reservations need to be in by June 23.

Discipleship Sub Committee – Sharon - The basket for the Social Ministry BBQ from Pastoral Council had a cleaning supply theme. It contained 2 gift cards: one to JP Fitzgerald's and one to Black Smoke Bourbon Bar. There was also a lottery ticket in the basket. Seven dollars was left over from the money collected from the Pastoral Council members. That money was donated to Saint Vincent de Paul Society. All Mothers Day flower baskets were sold by 11:00 AM on Sunday.

Standing Committee Reports: Comments, Concerns, Questions?

Only a couple of reports were received and forwarded.

For the Good of the Parish

As raised by pastoral council members – None.

Adjournment and Closing Prayer:

The Serenity Prayer was recited by all.

Next meeting – June 2, 2025, 7:00 PM in the Parish Meeting Room, Opening Prayer – Joan

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.