

Parish Council Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2019

In attendance: Fr. Backes, Kevin Sullivan, Roger Hof, Chris Andrews, Diane McCarron, Nancy Dunn, Dawn Andrews, Kurt Schollmeyer, Barbara Schollmeyer, Andrea Tighe, Mary Angela Boyle, MaryAnn Thompsett, Michelle Igoe, Andy Igoe, Fred DeWald.

Meetings for the 2019-20 year are Nov. 11, Jan. 20, March 16, May 18

Committee Updates

Service and Ecumenism: This committee will be on hold for now, as the staff and other groups cover this committee's duties.

Finance: Income and expense summary for the fiscal year are being put together. Next meeting is Oct. 2. The committee is working closely with the building and grounds committee regarding projects in the parish. Asbestos abatement bill has been paid.

Building and Grounds: Proposals were made for the parking lot project, waiting to move forward with approval forms for the Archdiocese. Details of the progress will be published in the Bulletin in the coming weeks. Committee is hopeful that the job will take place in the late spring/summer of 2020. Proposals were also made for fixing up the exterior of the parish buildings. Recommendations are being discussed with Fr. Jay. Front doors of the church are in the process of being repaired.

Education: Nan Kramer is the new Faith Formation Coordinator for the Parish.
Faith formation classes started on Sept 10.
Fire drill and SAFE environment Lessons will be this week.
Children's Liturgy will be once a month starting Oct 20.
Advent wreath making and Advent program for kids are in the works.

Social Activities: Ice cream social will take place Oct 6 at 12:20. Stewart's is donating the ice cream and various supplies. Thank you Stewart's!
Pot Luck dinner is Nov. 16, Fr. Eric Andrews is the main celebrant.
Working on a trip to "Sight and Sound" in Pennsylvania.

Liturgy: Working on a prayer service to remember veterans at our next meeting. They are continuing to write the Prayers of the Faithful for Mass.

Many activities for Respect Life Month: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Friday-Saturday October 25-26
7pm - 8 am.
Life Walk Sunday October 27 after the 11 am mass.

Staff Updates: Adult Faith Formation “Opening the Word” began Sept. 16 and will continue in October.
Family Catechesis first meeting was Sept 4 and is moving forward. The topic is the history of St. Stanislaus Parish in Pleasant Valley. Dates are Nov. 19-20.
Baby Bottle fundraiser will take place in October as will our coat drive.
A new AED was purchased for the parish and will be placed in the hallway to the sacristy.
7/8 grade parent meeting was this week.
Confirmation meeting is this week.
Youth group golf outing and pig roast were held in the past weeks. Mum sale was a success and helps pay for annual youth conference.
Parish safety audit will occur in the coming month.

Knights of Columbus: Thank you to the Knights for all your hard work at Camp St Josephs for the Sisters of Life and for helping out at the Pig Roast.

Fr. Jay: Fr. Backes has been asked to be the Dean of Clergy for Dutchess County.
Monday September 30 there will be a meeting at St Joseph’s seminary for all interested in hearing the findings of Judge Jones report on the way the Archdiocese has handled the alleged abuse by clergy.
Parish expenses are being published in the bulletin to give parishioners an idea of how much money is needed to run the parish. An increased giving campaign will take place in October.