



**St. Matthias**  
CHURCH & SCHOOL

Parish Council  
Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** April 5, 2021 at 7 pm by Zoom

**In attendance:** John Grant, Fr. Tony Davis, Phil Callaghan, Sr. Mary Riley, Kristy Yonyon, Tam Trinh

**Old Business**

Review of calendar (see agenda)

Re: new parish council members starting in May...the ethnic groups appoint one member and could also have an additional rep to self-nominate themselves, so to add clarity: there is potential for more than one member from ethnic community(ies) to be on parish council.

How reps will be selected: at next Parish Council meeting, we will draw names, then notified those selected, then announce on 5/14 (St. Matthias Feast Day)

New parish secretary: started today; overlapping with Bridget for a couple weeks, then Matthew will start in his official admin assistant role first of the month.

Delivery on Objectives:

Kristy will email via Flock Note next steps about St. Matthias School Parents Encounter: save the date, April 29; 7p-9p

Phil has these events on the radar

Ice Cream Social (August)

Pancake Bfast with Santa (Dec)

Mardi Gras in early Spring

Phil: would be ideal to have 4 events per year

Tam: may have a potential Vietnamese translator

Our new admin assistant, Matthew, speaks Swahili

Liturgy Committee: Flocknote Group of about 6 (to start with) coming together

## **New Business**

Proposal to develop a Justice Ministry (6-10 ppl; leaders contribute ~ \$200/yr) ICW BREAD—a Christian organization; scriptural, but non-denominational. Currently 9 catholic parishes connected with this organization as well as Dominican Sisters. They have asked us to join them. They have different listening sessions around the city, and also work for legislation changes. Should we affiliate with this, or do we think that parishioners would see this group as being too “pushy”. -Review of “what it means to be a member of BREAD?” and actionable events—screen shares by Father. Cora, with BREAD, will be present at May’s parish council meeting. Do we think we could find some parishioners to be involved in this? Phil says yes.

John asked about the Diocesan survey—finishing up compiling all responses by the end of April. Next step: 5 leaders from our parish; core group: review materials and then host multiple listening sessions in the fall. 2 yr process all-together.

## **Open Comments**

Kristy announced she will be vacating her position on parish council, as she moves out of town in August.

Conversation about getting back to “normal” : St. Matthias is approaching re-opening gradually, and behind the pace some of the bigger parishes: but goal is for all back to normal by Fall.

**Next Meeting:** May 4<sup>th</sup> in person; 7 p.m. (then maybe take the summer off)