

**St. Gabriel Finance Council Meeting**  
**January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Attendees:** Anne Greif, Mike Van Dyke, Peter Schmitz, Fr. Bob, Lynn Hopfensperger, Joe Varkoly

**Excused:** Terry Olson, Troy Sommerfeld

**Guests:** Sara Van Franchen

Opening Prayer - Father

2022 Fundraisers

- Sara provided an overview of the 2021 rummage/craft sales
  - Volunteer hours/income
  - Bag sale was very successful
  - Volunteers are getting older
  - Raffle is the most efficient fund raiser for volunteer hours
  - Primary purpose in the past has been focused on fund raising... but they do bring in new people to our church
  - We continue to struggle with finding new leadership of these efforts
  - The less fortunate community members do benefit from the rummage sale
  - Question is how these activities fit into the mission of our parish?
  - Suggestion to reach out to the current leaders to see if they “really” want to do it – have permission to not do it
  - Suggestion to scale back the efforts to limit volunteer hours
  
- Fish fries
  - Do draw a lot of folks
  - Doing the drive up last year with fewer volunteers worked out well (due to Covid)
  - Lent – Ash Wednesday starts March 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Anne to follow up with Ryan
  - Suggestion to tie the profits to something new for the kitchen (i.e. new stove). May get extra donations
  
- Bingo
  - Children are going to school... people can get vaccinated. Started coffee and donuts again. No one must attend
  - Have the “fun” factor
  - Ok with holding bingo

Minutes

- LH moved to approve the minutes: JV seconded. Approved

Financials

- Things continue to look good
  - Calendar raffle profits were down
- Plan to remove the capital expenditures
- Reviewed the bulletin chart – aligned on showing the expenses as “positive” since our expenses are lower than budgeted
- Anne put in another request for the vision monies from the diocese; still need to keep \$1,000 in the diocese account
- Reviewed the pulpit announcement – about \$37,000 ahead

One by One campaign

- Last figure we had about \$1.2 million pledged
  - Still getting additional pledges in
- Officially completed the campaign
- Pete read that the diocesan plan (from Jose) has some monies for schools for “significant” infrastructure repairs
  - Anne to follow up/Father willing to help out

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### Vision Project

- Received about \$66,000 so far from the foundation
  - Had a very good project plan
- Started work on the project
  - First “year” of projects have been ordered
  - Pete is working on the proxy for the next phase

### B&G

- Roof
  - Siding installation should start on Wednesday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>
- Rectory Crawl Space
  - External work has been complete – still need to install the plastic inside
- Switchgear – Have a proposal from WE
  - Plan to order equipment soon; Pat to bring in another consultant to confirm our plan.
- Space Utilization
  - Initial space planning meeting was held.
  - Obtaining feedback
  - Plan to meet again once we have the room usage data
  - Look to see where we can have a dedicated space for youth minister
- Misc
  - Installing LED lights in the hallway
- 5 year Capital plan
  - Boiler Replacement
    - Initial estimate around \$300,000.
    - Still working on a controls proposal
    - Setting up additional vendor meetings
  - Other items
    - Continue light replacement project
    - Roof replacements – obtaining estimates
    - Soffit repairs
    - Electrical panel replacements
- Boiler pressure relief valves – plan to check it the summer/replace if needed

### N-M Trustee

- Held our monthly meeting – sent out notes
- Request for another \$1,000 for radio ads – the FC was in favor of supporting another campaign

### General

- Rectory Snow Removal – plan is for Derrick to complete during week/Anne will do on the weekends
- Adult Faith formation Role – still in the planning process from a N-M parish perspective
  - The St. Gabe’s faith formation committee is looking to make a recommendation later this month
  - Still looking to hold a joint PC/FC meeting to look at personnel/job responsibilities
- Lifest – Plan is to pay Meredith to attend
- Boy Scouts – recommend to not be a “chartering” organization, but offer the use of our building. Existing charter has been extended until March 1<sup>st</sup>. Plan to hold off for now.
- Promoting Bishop’s Appeal – just received our letter – goal is \$75,500
  - Struggling with launching the BA for 6 weeks in a row
  - Suggestion to hold a kick off and show the video a couple/three weeks later
    - No additional letter, no witness talks
  - Suggestion to “soft sell” it this year.

### Missionary Discipleship

- Father reviewed the Missionary Discipleship training that he and the staff attended.
  - Plan to start in our February meeting

### Closing Prayer

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