

Parish Council Agenda – May 2024

Present: Father Bob, Mary K, Tom K, Mark & Lisa B, Jessica A, Julie K, Lynn H

Ø Open with prayer.

Prayer led by Mary

Ø Introduce any guests.

Lynn Hopfensperger - Finance Council Trustee

Ø Pick up on our review of Entrust. Advancing the Kingdom: The Charismatic Gifts of the Holy Spirit, page 29

Due to small group and weather conditions did not accomplish, we will review at the next meeting

Ø Update on Parish employment.

Meredith Lauer gave notice , Coordinator of MS/HS/Youth Ministry position is open

Steve Pable's Director of Adult Discipleship Formation, this position has been eliminated

Ø We will have a review of Parish financial standings. (Lynn H.)

2023/2024 Budget was in the black due budgeted expenses being less

Ø Review of Parish Council Membership:

Christopher needs to review current membership. New members may be needed dependent upon current members length of term and willingness to continue serving

Ø Committee reports.

Children's liturgy will continue through the summer months

Adult Bible Study reviewing the Gospel of Mark, 70-80 members weekly
Neenah/Menasha Trustees have not met since last Parish Council meeting
New School Board member, from our parish, Ryan Valentine appointed

Ø Adult lounge discussion.

Julie and Jessica to visit St. John parish in Little Chute and observe their coffee lounge area and report findings at the next council meeting

Ø Open discussion.

Parish council needs to come up with a vision for St. Gabriel Parish. Where do we see ourselves in 2 years, 5 years, etc.? We need to help Father form this vision. What is Christ calling our parish to be? What pastorally should we be doing at St. Gabriel?

Father wants Parish Council and Trustees to review job descriptions to make sure our visions match with job requirements. Christopher needs to contact Deacon Tom for copies and distribute to the members. We need to evaluate the position, not the person, enabling us to make any necessary updates.

St. Gabriel school enrollment is growing, as a school we are doing very well

Complaint that the speakers are too loud for the organ in back of the church. Also that it is not loud enough in the front of the church. Tim had sound system evaluated, but church was empty at the time. Is this a fair assessment?

Corpus Christi march on May 26th to have recorded music played

Ø Close with prayer.

Led by Father Bob