

## Finance Council Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2026 – 6:30 PM

**Attendees:** Fr. Brian, Mike Brown, Joe Varkoly, Karen Rappl, Lynn Hopfensperger, Anne Greif, Julie Klein, Dave Risgaard, Mike Van Dyke

**Excused:**, Joe L.

- Opening Prayer - Father
- Approval of Minutes ☐ Mike V moved to approve the January minutes; Joe V seconded. Motion carried
- Parish Finances:
  1. Some concern that we are behind on our church support both from a budget and compared to last year
  2. Cash flow is good due to still having open position
- Bishop's Appeal
  1. We are about \$15K short of goal.
  2. Suggested that Father makes an announcement
  3. Add poster with thermometer in Stingle Hall
  4. Thermometer in bulletin
  5. Run list to see who has not given this year and send a letter
- Budget-Wages. Brief discussion about salaries and raises for next year. Different scenarios will be worked into budget.
- Endowment Brochure
  1. How to present to parishioners? Decided to wait on promotion for now since we need to meet our expenses and make the Bishop's Appeal. But in future----
  2. Will ask Deacon Tom about Saturday morning estate planning.
  3. Fr. Brian can add the cover of brochure to flocknote.
  4. Mass and bulletin announcement.
  5. Brochures in the back of church
- New phone system-2 switches for system. One does not have phone over ethernet. We are ordering a POE injector for \$300 that is due in a few days. Now half the phones do not work. Phone brackets will be added in May so phones can be hung.
- Door 13 is now fobbed.
- Alarms are now running through cell communicator so we can get rid of all analog lines.
- Solar Panels-Received a quote from Wolf River in Minnesota.
  1. \$300K ton install. \$100k in credits and incentives so would cost us about \$200K
  2. Loans available at prime with 1<sup>st</sup> year free.
  3. Payback in 10-12 years
  4. Mike is checking with a friend that works with Appleton Solar.
  5. Decided this is not a priority at this time
- Membership terms for Finance Council.
  1. Joe L. will not be coming back. Need to find a replacement.
  2. Julie has 1 – 2 yr term remaining if she is interested.
  3. Lynn has 1 more year.
- B&G update
  1. HVAC system in chapel needs to be checked. Was blowing hot air this weekend.
  2. Vos electric is looking at light poles. We own one and WE Energies owns 4.
  3. Jensen Electrical replaced/added additional exterior lighting.

4. Looking to add sidewalk by door by north sanctuary entrance. Proposal from Bloy Concrete came back at \$13K
- Vision Report - Pete and Fr. Brian to meet prior to the next FC meeting.
  - Cancer Mass is coming up. 4:30 June 14
  - Next Meeting Dates (Karen)
    - May 12 th - 6:30 PM
    - June 9 th – 6:30 PM
  - Closing Prayer (Karen)

Meeting adjourned 8:15