

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2025, 7:00pm

Present: Father Julius, RaeShelle Jensen (for Shannon), Eric Busch, David Kramer, Geri Bjorling, Corey Hough, Max Kozeal (by phone). Absent: Jean Hofmaster and Lexi Cochran.

Opening prayer by Father

Meeting chaired by Corey Hough

Approval of minutes: Motion by Eric to approve, second by David – motion passed all Ayes

Faith Formation Update by Shannon (via RaeShelle):

- Changes coming to the Faith Formation program and Shannon will fill us in with details asap.
- The age for servers at Mass has been lowered. As soon as a young person has received their First Communion they can go through training and begin serving. Shannon reported there is a good group ready for training. Serving Mass is also open to adults!
- Bryan Weidner has declined the open Parish Council position. There are other possibilities. Max will talk to Brad Payne.
- Corpus Christi DRE/Business manager has reserved their hall for our parish Pilgrimage on Sept. 21. We can have Mass, Adoration and a possible dinner. More details later.
- St. Columbanus has respectfully declined joining our parishes' Hoo Doo float, but would like to have their own float too. Theme for this year's Hoo Doo Day is "Staying Alive in '25".
- Fish Fry Free Will donation was not well utilized. None of the free fish dinner tickets were turned in that were handed out at the food pantry. There will be more discussion with the Finance Council regarding a possible price cap for large families.
- Security cameras have been installed in the Hall. Finance Council decided this enough security for weddings and other gatherings for right now.

New Business

- Father Julius' birthday celebration is this Saturday after 5:30 Mass in the Faith Formation Building. Everyone is invited!
- David mentioned the Parish Picnic we had at Arrowhead last year. Everyone agreed it was a fun time and we should do it again. Geri will check with Arrowhead to see which Sundays in July are available at Breezee Lodge and get back to RaeShelle with the

information. Parish will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks and paper products. Everyone can bring a dish to share.

- There have been several council members who have been approached by parishioners about changing Mass time for Saturday Mass and leaving it the same all year long. RaeShelle will make ballots and put them in the pews at church for parishioners to vote: Stay as is; 4:00pm year round; 5:30pm year round.

Closing prayer – Father

Next meeting: 6-10-25

Submitted by Geri Bjorling