

St. Patrick Church
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 15, 2023, 7pm.

Present: Monsignor Dempsey, Jennifer Boldry, Peggy Gaier, Pat McCaskey, Pat Plodzeen, Michael Wodarczyk

Absent: Judy Kozak, Chris Puszyński, Alejandro Quiroz, Ramiro Roman

1. **Welcome** – Pat McCaskey welcomed everyone.
2. **Opening prayer** - Pat Plodzeen
3. **Minutes from March 13 meeting** – Peggy Gaier asked for a motion to approve.
4. **Pastor’s report – Monsignor Dempsey**

We had 36 children receive 1st Communion recently, & 28 will be Confirmed this Sun., May 21.

We will have 2 parishioners join us as new members on the Parish Council in September, Madeleine Slingerland & Madeleine McCoy.

June 11 is Corpus Christi Sunday.

5. Ministry Reports

Men’s Group -Michael Wodarczyk reported the Blood Drive went well, with 40 units donated, which was higher than the December date.

They recently held their retreat on 4/28.

They will be helping with Hot Dog Day at Most Blessed Trinity soon, & will be making sausage on June 5, before their year end event when they get together & eat the sausage.

Women's Group – Peggy Gaier reported the Women's Group held their Spring Luncheon on Fri., April 28, at Conway Farms Golf Club. 65 attended & the speaker, Fr. Sparrough was well received.

Their year end event will take place on Wed., May 24, starting with a mass at 6pm in church, followed by a light dinner & refreshments in the Parish Center, provided by the Women's Board. There is no charge, but women are asked to RSVP.

The board will meet to plan next year's schedule on May 31, at 10am.

Currently Trivia Night is planned for Feb. 3, 2024, & Peggy asked Paul Lipka if the Men's Group would like to co-host a Fish Fry next year on a Fri. night in Lent. The groups will be looking into getting a supplier for the fish.

Currently we are looking for a new location for the St. Patrick party, & the date isn't set yet (maybe Fri., March 15).

Religious Education – Pat Plodzeen reported Cinco de Mayo, & Vacation Bible school for this summer, was cancelled by Emily (CCD coordinator) & due to a lack of volunteers. Emily is starting her 5th year at St. Patrick's, & is planning a retreat for catechists.

6. Old Business

Annual dinner with St. Mary's & Holy Cross' parish councils is now on hold until September or October.

Parish Council Hospitality Sunday – Pat Plodzeen reported our donut Sunday on March 19 went well, & we will host another one next year.

Pat Plodzeen had the Parish Council picture hanging in the hallway reconfigured & it looks better now.

1st Friday adoration is going well, & will continue during the summer months. The question is how can we grow this ministry?

7. New Business

Pat Plodzeen reported 47% of parishioners completed the recent survey.

June 11 is Corpus Christie Sunday & we will invite Holy Cross & St. Mary's to participate.

8. Next meeting dates: September 11. Peggy Gaier will say the opening prayer.

9. Suggestion box – Pat McCaskey reported there was only a children's bulletin in the box.

Minutes respectfully submitted on May 17, 2023,
by Peggy Gaier, Parish Council Member