

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes September 10, 2024

Opening Prayer by Fr. Gary at 7:09 PM.

Minutes for June 2024 and August 2024 not approved, no quorum.

Pastor's Report, Fr. Gary

Dean model of government now for parishes, used to be by regions. This means a dean will evaluate the parishes and report to the Archbishop.

We need a Secretary, Vice Chair and suggestions for two new Council members. Hoping the school can find a grant for infrastructure.

Principal's Report, Gregg Boehmer

Enrollment is now at 107. Making another attempt at a recruiter, plans not yet determined.

MAP standardized testing will be completed by 9/27. Our students are excelling in growth though continue to need to catch up in achievement.

It was noted that the Council is vested in the school with a sense of mission. Want updates from the School Board, possibly visits by teachers to share what their experiences are and what they need.

Committee Report, Knights of Columbus, Zac

Approximately 50 members, with 30 very active.

The Knights are involved in every aspect of our parishes and school, responding to the requests by Fr. Gary and Kristin. Not only the Pancake Breakfast, Fish Fries and Beer Gardens, the Knights also help clean both outdoors and inside.

Business Manager Report, Kristin

With a two-page summary, Kristin updated as to staffing, mechanical concerns to AC, boilers, roof at St. James and the school, fence and gutters.

Included was a wish list to improve facilities at both the parishes.

Discussed idea of purchasing the Hallow App for the parishes, in place of Words on Fire.

Also, switching from Flocknote to Evangelus which is part of the Diocesan-wide computer management program.

Keeping Formed which is good for OCIA (formerly RCIA).

Switching from VANCO to We Share for online giving, which integrates with Parish Soft.

Closing Prayer

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

The next meeting will be October 8, 2024 at 7 PM, Goetz Center.