

**St. Francis de Sales Parish
Pastoral Parish Council (PPC) meeting
December 13, 2022**

Members Present

Fr. Mike Nartker, Bro. Paul Hoffman, John Bruening, John Mitchell, Scott Gueterman, Lee Burroughs, Jim Vogt.

Not Present

Holly Schwein

SFDS Elementary School Report:

No school report was submitted before the meeting.

Pastoral Team's Report:

Fr. Mike and Bro. Paul reported:

- Bro. Paul reported Mass attendance numbers were up in November with an average of 100 at the 8:30 Mass and 117 at the 11:00 Mass.
- St. Rose Christmas Concert will be held in the church on Friday, December 16th.
- The school concert will be held in the church on Tuesday, December 20th.
- There is a meeting with the Archdiocese on Thursday, December 15 to discuss the steeple and sewer repairs.
- Parking will be monitored with all of the events this month.

Finance Report

- John Mitchell reported November was close to budget.
- State funding is helping with the school budget.
- The 2023/24 budget planning starts in January.
- Overall collections are down year over year.

Calvary Cemetery

John Bruening reached out to Ron Hibbard to understand the relationship with the Parish.

New Business

Plaster Repair

John Bruening requested a vote on a proposal from Old World Plastering for \$9,625 to repair the falling plaster inside the church. The quote is for phase 1 to stabilize falling debris. Phase 2 would come after the water leaks are repaired.

Parish Council approved the proposal.

Old Business

Sewer Line from Stadium Construction

A meeting with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is scheduled for Thursday, December 15th to discuss the steeple repair and the damaged sewer line.

Steeple Repair

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Sound System Update

John Bruening reported that not all of the equipment for the audio and video streaming upgrades have been received yet due to supply chain issues.

Parish Directory

Holly Schwein emailed that the final proof of the parish directory was submitted and is going to print. No confirmed date has been given for delivery of the directories.

Sub-Committee Discussion

Jim Vogt reported an update from the sub-committee that has been meeting to discuss increasing Mass attendance.

- The Sub-Committee is up to 10 members
- They are working on a list of people that no longer attend Mass to contact.
- Jim has asked for any names to be submitted by Tuesday, December 20th.
- They are working on a survey to send.
- They proposed creating a Parish Worship Commission to focus on the liturgical experience.
- Fr. Mike shared that the Beacons of Light provides inventory tools for Parishes.
- They would like to put a notice in the bulletin requesting volunteers and make an announcement at the January 8th Masses.
- They volunteered to put welcome cards in the pews and greeters at the Christmas Masses.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17th 2023 at 7PM.