

**Holy Rosary Parish Council  
Minutes**

**November 10, 2021**

**Begin with a Prayer**

**Present**

Joni Mudd, Jennifer Richardson, Deacon Mike, Laurie Assell, Sr. Sue, Marie Little, Toni Hunter, Kristin Thompson, Keith Amos, John Long, Tiffany Grieman and Fr. Greg.

**Absent**

Dr. Yager, Jane Crowe

**Approval of the Minutes:** John Long motioned to approve and Keith Amos seconded. All approved.

**School Report**

This Saturday, November 13, Holy Rosary School will host a Regional Speech Meet. Approximately 35 students from Catholic Schools of the area will present speeches. It is a very worthwhile activity for the students.

Basketball season has begun. We will have 2 or 3 games every week from now until the third week of December. It is a quick season.

Our students will participate in the collection of canned good during the week of Nov 15-19

The sixth grade students will deliver Thanksgiving baskets to our elderly neighbors during the days before Thanksgiving.

Classes will be dismissed on Tuesday, December 21 for the Christmas holidays.

**Commission Reports**

Religious Ed: (proclaim the word of the Gospel through education; PSR, RCIA, Youth Group, and Bible Studies) Kristin Thompson, Marie Little, Toni Hunter

- PSR and Youth Groups are in full swing. PSR grades K-6 meet Wednesday after school and grades 7-12 meet Sundays after 9:30 Mass.
- We are still needing volunteers to help with Youth Groups, more for chaperones/helpers. It would be very helpful to have a group of adults that could rotate so they don't have to be at every Youth Group night. Each volunteer would have to be Virtus certified.
- We will be having a Confirmation Parent Meeting/Scavenger Hunt on November 14 following 9:30 am Mass. Our 11/12 PSR students designed the Scavenger Hunt and will be leading that for our Confirmation families.
- Very soon, I will be placing baskets/boxes at each entrance of both churches (3 at Holy Rosary; 1 at St. Stephen) for Confirmation students. Mrs. Painter wanted to bring back this practice that we did years ago to let parishioners choose a student and pray for them

and send cards of encouragement. It will change slightly in that due to Safe Environment, we cannot put a child's address out for the public. All cards will go to the school's address and they will be given to students there. Cards for PSR students will also go to school and I will get them from Melanie to give to the student. All the students' names will be in each container, the goal being to have 4 people to pray for/encourage each student.

- We had a First Reconciliation Parent Meeting on October 26, 2021. The Sacrament of Reconciliation for the children and the families will be January 11, 2022.
- I attended the Youth Ministry Fall Workshop at the Chancery on November 2. It was very informative. Maureen Quinn, Director of Youth Ministry, has a direction for the parishes to follow in Youth Ministry. Maureen recommended a podcast The Youth Ministry Mindset Podcast. Connie Schepers, Office of Child and Youth Protection spoke briefly at the Youth Ministry Workshop. She reminded us that each parish will be audited every other year for Virtus compliance. Her office has begun this process and it is not going well. Many parishes are showing less than required compliance. This is something that Holy Rosary really must work on. A new version of Virtus has just come out and I do have my new Facilitator's Manual. We will receive training on the new version via Zoom on Friday, November 12. I am considering having a training each quarter for those that have not completed it yet.
- Parousia: The Bible and the Mass study ended in mid-October. We had an average of 20 people attend each of the 10 weeks. It was very well received and the comments from the attendees was very favorable. I have had people that heard of the study reach out recently asking about when we will have another study. I plan for the next study to begin in mid-January and it will focus on Mary. I won't be able to offer it 3 times a week because I don't have enough time. Ideally, we will, in time, have more people comfortable with facilitating. This will be in alignment with growing our stewardship.
- RCIA is going very nicely. We currently have 9 participants exploring the Catholic Faith.
- I will be hosting, with Jennifer Richardson and Joni Mudd, a Women's Ministry Brunch on November 20, 2021 from 9:00 am to Noon. The event is free for all the women of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Parishes. We will be exploring The Feminine Genius, a term St. Pope John Paul II used in his Letter to Women. The goal is to help women know how much the Church needs them as they are and to see the formation of small groups for study and fellowship. We will be using a study from Endow ([www.endowgroups.org](http://www.endowgroups.org)) which stands for Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women. We will also use some references from Walking with Purpose ([www.walkingwithpurpose.com](http://www.walkingwithpurpose.com)). Both of these programs have studies for all ages from 7th grade through adult.
- Advent reflection booklets have been ordered for parishioners. We will have books for individuals and families as well as the "Prepare Ye" program for small groups that was developed for the parishes of the Jefferson City Diocese. I also have an online (<https://www.goodcatholic.com>) advent study recommendation for those that would prefer that medium. It will cost the individual \$14.95. FORMED just notified members of their Advent options on November 9, 2021. One option is Daily Advent Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray ([www.DAILY.FORMED.ORG](http://www.DAILY.FORMED.ORG) and this is free with FORMED). The other is What Is the True Meaning of Christmas? with Dr. Michael Patrick Barber. It does have an accompanying book available at <https://catholic.market/christmas-2021/true-meaning->

of-christmas-hardcover-michael-barber/. The book is \$24.95. We could purchase a bulk order of 40 for \$100.00.

- The Holy Rosary website is full of information. If you have not visited it lately, please go to [www.holyrosary.diojeffcity.org](http://www.holyrosary.diojeffcity.org) and check it out. I am open to your suggestions for improvement. The goal for our website is to be fully informative to our parishioners. I am working on an additional project for the website for the ministry to provide flowers for Mary with Laurie and I plan for that will be up and live soon.

Administration: (utilize the resources of the whole community through administration; maintenance, building and grounds) Jane Crowe, Keith Amos, Dr. Rodney Yager

- Update of Rectory Painting is completed for \$3500.00; gutters are ordered for \$5000.00 for both convent and rectory; and new front door: is still on the docket.
- Convent Wall: Foundation Recovery Systems noted the wall leaning further, so they will put anchors in Nov 29 for \$8500.00

Liturgy: (Worship/Spiritual Development; assist the people in celebrating as a praying community through worship; how we worship, seasons, decorations, planning/looking ahead of what parish needs) Renee Shinn, Laurie Assell, Tiffany Grieman

- Met last week. They discussed a new ministry for the parish. Audrey Fuemmeler suggested that whoever brings the arrangement would last 2 weekends. It will go on all social media/website/communications outlet. It will be a volunteer sign up. They are asking for fresh flowers. Put the previous arrangement in the back sacristy room. Laurie will handle the communication. It will be approximately 20 arrangements/year.
- Each year they will purchase new altar cloths as needed.

Social Concerns: (serve the people of God as a Christian Community through service; physical, psychological, social and economic needs of the people; coordinate service and action) Joni Mudd, John Long, Jennifer Richardson

- Fall Dinner Report which was successful. They fixed food for 650 and served 820. Any meals after 11:30am only received turkey and mashed potatoes. They weren't sure what to expect with the drive through, but that was heavily used. Both raffles did well.
- The Junior/Senior PSR class are working on service, so they will be taking on the collection bins at the doors of church.
- Trash pick up will be scheduled for 1x/year around April/May.

### **Old Business**

- Pastoral Plan—Parish Council and members of our parish answered the questions. Jennifer will submit in online format.
- Parish Breakfast—February 27, 2022 Fat Sunday Breakfast—potential outside speakers
- Family Faith Night—March 16, 2022

- Time and Talent

Donna and Sally Lemongelli working on better program to work with our system. They are nicely redone on both websites as it's easier to mine data. Present it at the Fat Sunday Breakfast

### **Pastor Report**

- Church renovation report: met with Church Renovation committee in October. Everyone in diocese has been communicated with of our intentions to renovate. Various committees have made wish lists and we have a probable cost list from Michael Puro. We have received bids for a variety of items that are needed. The Women of Holy Rosary have approximately \$100,000.00 to donate. We also have the money from the Spalding Fund. We want to do one project rather than phases. The sanctuary will be one level. Combine what is left on school and church fundraising. Working on a rough draft and realistic timeline for end of 2022, possibly 2023. Father is looking to invite more people to join committee. Father will also like to hold town hall meetings along the way to keep everyone aware and get feedback.
- Capital Improvement: see above. Father met with Paul Washington and Olivia Earlywine. They are wanting to build a family life center. They are looking at our old school property for a potential location. Father will speak with Knights to discuss the other part of the property for parking, etc.
- Quarterly Central Deanery Meeting needs a member of parish council to attend each meeting. The next meeting is November 16. All other representatives are needed from 6:30-8:30pm in Columbia. A deacon will discuss how to help marriage avoid divorce. Father will send out the rest of the meeting dates.
- There is a bid for the roof at Brush Creek. We have \$16,000.00 in insurance money to replace tiles, etc. Bishop McKnight discussed with Father potential plans if/when Fr. Tolten becomes Blessed.

### **New Business**

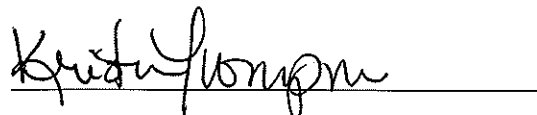
- Parish Breakfast—School February—see above

**Next Meeting Date:** 1.12.22 at 7pm (plan is to keep the 2nd Wednesday of the odd months) in small room of KC building.

### **Closing Prayer**



Jennifer Richardson, President



Kristin Thompson, Secretary