

## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Council Minutes

Aug. 2, 2023

Members present: Amy Fogle-Stiff, Lee Hopewell, Dan Heckel, Father Pat, Father Joe, Freda O'Bryan, Becky Grant, Cindi Reisz, Kevin Lasley and alternate Bob Berry. Members absent: Jennifer Keller, Clarissa Phelps, Deacon Ken.

The evening opened with a potluck at the home of Lee Hopewell. Opening prayer read by Father Joe. The June 7 minutes were approved without changes. There were no minutes for July, the only action was selecting new Parish Council members Becky Grant, Cindi Reisz, Kevin Lasley and alternate Bob Berry.

**Stewardship book study:** Amy noted that the final chapter of the book said stewardship is a lifelong effort.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Evangelization:** No report. Jennifer Keller has met with Jeff Andrini with the diocese to get a better understanding of this committee.

**Finance and Day Care:** Dan reported that the 2023-24 budget was approved. The increased pledges from the stewardship campaign amount to an additional \$147,912 for the coming year. Amy reported that she has been asked to speak to the state legislature about day care issues, specifically increasing childcare assistance parameters and increasing Head Start funding.

**Picnic:** Lee asked for suggestions on how to get more parishioners to sell their raffle tickets.

**Liturgy:** No report.

**Stewardship:** Did not meet. Kevin said the results of the Mass times survey were that about two-thirds of those voting wanted a 10:30 a.m. Mass, but to keep 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Saturday unchanged. Some people wrote in an option for a 10 a.m. Mass. The Stewardship committee has not met to discuss the results.

**Safety and Building/Grounds:** No report.

**Faith Formation/Education:** No report

**Social Concerns:** The online book study of Laudato Si will have access to the information gathered by Father Jim Flynn in the Archdiocese of Louisville. The first gathering will be Sept. 24. The Ursuline Sisters will be involved also.

**Priest report:** Father Pat is trying to do some middle school and high school ministry. More details to come.

### NEW BUSINESS

**New Parish Council leaders were selected.** Dan Heckel will become the chairman; Jennifer Keller will be the vice chairwoman and Becky Grant will be secretary.

**The Committee assignments for the coming year are as follows:**

Social Concerns: Amy Fogle-Stiff

Stewardship: Kevin Lasley

Building, Grounds and Safety: Lee Hopewell

Picnic: Cindi Reisz

Liturgy: Freda O'Bryan

Evangelization: Jennifer Keller

Finance and Day Care: Becky Grant

Faith Formation: Clarissa Phelps.

**Formation**

Dan Heckel said he would bring ideas for board member formation for the coming year.

Next Parish Council meeting is Sept. 6.

  
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