

Unapproved Minutes from May 20, 2025

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025

Members Present: Stewart Bober, Bill Stroup, Dcn. Bryan, Lisa Briggs, David Smith, Fr. Brian, Brendalynn Barlow, Carol Lawrence, Regina Sharpe

Guest: Becky Root

Members Absent: Amy Ossenheimer, Kevin Briggs

Meeting began at 7:20 with a prayer.

The Parish Council Report from 4/15/2025 was approved with the following addition: The new compressor needed for one of our roof top air conditioning units is for the Family Life Center.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Parking lot / Church Repairs: We have accepted the bid from Pyramid Paving Company to complete the final layer for the church parking lot. The Knights of Columbus is asking the parish to join them in raising \$12,000.00 for the project. The Knights will match up to \$12,000.00.

The two new windows have been installed in the church and the new air compressor for the air conditioning unit for the Family Life Center has been installed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Dcn. Bryan will be attending the Deacon Convocation in the Fall. It will be held at the H Hotel in Midland.

2. The Montrose Ministerial Association held their Men's Group Breakfast on Saturday, May, 17. Approximately 40 men were in attendance. The next meeting will be on Saturday, June 7 at the Montrose Family Worship Center from 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. All men are welcome.

3. Bill Stroup reported on needing to replace the roof on the Church and Family Life Center in about 5 years. It was suggested that we designate the Bingo funds for this project. The council discussed making a resolution that the Bingo funds be used for the maintenance of the Church and Family Life Center.

4. Bill has been looking into getting a handrail on the Mary and St. Joseph side of the Sanctuary to aid the Readers and Eucharistic Ministers. Any changes to the worship space would have to be approved by the Diocese.

5. It was asked if Good Shepherd could do another Church Directory. The last directory was done in 2017. Fr. Brian said we will wait a few more years before we do our next one.

6. June 27 is the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Bill passed out a pamphlet on "*The Nine First Fridays and the Sacred Heart Devotion.*" He would like to present the information on the devotion to the parish.

7. Don and Verna Allett have asked if the parish could do a potluck on Saturday, August 16, following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Don and Verna will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary that day.

PARISH ORGANIZATION

1. Knights of Columbus: Deacon Bryan Root

- a. The Knights served 4,026 Fish Dinners this year. That averages to about 134 dinners per week.
- b. The Knights held their election of officers. All the officers were re-elected.
- c. The Knights held their annual Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, May 17.
- d. The Knights would like to hold a training for ushers and anyone else who is interested on the use of the AED Equipment.

- e. The last Men's Cor Meeting for the summer will be held on Wednesday, May 28.
- f. The Knights will hold a Euchre Tournament on Wednesday, June 4 at 6:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 with pizza or \$5 without.
- g. The Knights will have a Corporate Communion on Sunday, June 29.
- h. The Lansing Lugnuts *Knights of Columbus Night* will be held on Friday, August 1.

COMMISSIONS:

- 1. Finance Council: Stewart Bober
 - a. The most current Sunday & Holy Day Contribution Report was handed out. To date we are approximately \$3300.00 below our budgeted income.
- 2. Christian Service: Carol Lawrence
 - a. Christian Service served cake and punch for graduates following the Mass on Sunday, May 18.
- 3. Worship: Fr. Brian
 - a. No Report.
- 4. Social Media: Carol Lawrence
 - a. Carol is promoting the First Saturday Devotions, the Fr. Anthony Car Show, and the Blessing of the Bikes.

BINGO: Amy Ossenhimer

- a. No Report.

YOUTH GROUP: David Smith

- 1. David is considering attending the Evangelization Training that will be held at Holy Family in Ovid on Saturday, May 31.
- 2. David will be getting with the teens to work out a schedule for the summer months.
- 3. David presented his teen Mission Statement to the council.

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Lisa M. Briggs

- 1. The last Half Day Hospitality was held on Wednesday, April 23.
- 2. On Saturday, May 3, the First Communion candidates and their parents participated in a retreat. The children received their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 4. A cake and punch reception was held after Mass.
- 3. On Tuesday, May 6, Religious Education students participated in a May Crowning Mass. The Mass was followed with an ice cream social.
- 4. An appreciation dinner for all catechists, aides, substitutes and Half Day Hospitality volunteers was held on Friday, May 9.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Kevin Briggs, Brendalynn Barlow, Regina Sharpe

- 1. Becky Root inquired about offering the Called & Gifted workshop for Good Shepherd and St. Robert parishes.
- 2. The council will not meet in June and July. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 19.

The meeting ended at 9:15 p.m. with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Kaczmarczyk