

## Holy Cross Finance Council Minutes March 12, 2024

**Present:** Annette Van Dyke, Alicia Ramirez,  
Debby Ames, Danae McLoughlin,  
Joan Schmidt

**Absent:** Fr. Jay, Jon Kurtenbach, Allan Apo  
Meeting commenced at 5:05 pm

### Parish Financials

The council reviewed financial reports from February 2024 for the Church and Outreach.

- **Church:** PRF Savings for the Church and Building Fund show deposits reflecting transfers from our checking account. We deposited \$50,000 to PRF Church Ops and \$32,000 to PRF Building Fund. Thank you to parishioners who have donated to the Youth Ministry for the HS Steubenville event as well as the MS event. New Church loan is \$2.388 million and \$12,000 per month is paid towards the loan. Net income for the year is at \$150,138.58.

Offerings for February were just a little below projection. Offerings are 3% over budget for the year so far. Building Fund Revenue continues to do well and February was pretty much right on track. We are 4% above budget for the year so far. We received our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Appeal rebate for a total of \$19,997 so far. Total income was 4% over projections for the year so far.

Total expenses were below budget for February and for the year so far. Parish Assessment - The total assessment for the year was paid in November, but you will still see the budgeted amount every month. Our net income for the year was \$150,139.

- **Outreach** – Checking balance was a little less than January. Offerings were above projections for February and 30% above projections for the year so far. Utilities Assistance was higher than budget projections. Assistance was provided to 57 families and 54 bags of food were given out last month. Food Assistance spending continues to include the monthly food subscription to Farmer Frog.

**Partners in the Gospel** – We are currently in Phase 0, which ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The focus during this phase is on preparing for the journey that is about to begin. During this phase, we are getting to know our family of parishes; St. Michael in Snohomish and St. Mary of the Valley in Monroe.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2024.

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## Holy Cross Pastoral Council Minutes March 12, 2024

**Present:** Fr. Jay (via phone call), Annette Van Dyke, Alicia Ramirez, LeeAnn Balbirona, Elodia Gonzalez, Brian Doyle, Guy Hazelzet, Pat Thompson, Jeannette & Jay Green, Emilia & Angel Herrera, Carmella Barger  
**Absent:** Jessica San Luis, Vivian & Chito Cancio  
The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm

### Welcome

- Opening and Closing Prayer- Pat
- Partners in the Gospel
- Calendar
- Parish and Program Updates

### Planning & Updates

#### Fr. Jay

Partners in the Gospel – All Pastor assignments have been wrapped up and Priests will be announced by Easter. Phase 1 will begin on July 1, 2024. There should be very little

changes in the next few years. We will be seeing opportunities to share with the other; Perhaps one big Guadalupe Mass for all parishes, One Simbang Gabi celebration, combined Christmas schedules? Within one year, it may be that we have one full time Administrator who will oversee all 3 parishes in the family are running smoothly as well as organizing a single calendar schedule, etc.

### **Sacramental Programs & Ministries**

#### **LeeAnn:**

Our Parish Dedication Anniversary is coming up on 4/28. Sign-up sheets for Holy Week masses for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday are available. Anyone interested, please sign up for them. We will be having 2 bread ministers at all masses for the next few weeks. There will be no Coffee & Donuts on Palm Sunday nor Easter Sunday. Outreach will remain open on Palm Sunday as long as there are volunteers available to cover. No Outreach on Easter Sunday. Julie and Raul from our Friday Prayer Group will be having a combined retreat (Holy Cross & St. Michael's) on Saturday, April 27, 8am-3pm in St. Teresa. More information to come. Youth RCIA will be finishing up this coming weekend. Youth will meet on Saturday 3/23 at 2pm for a rehearsal. Adults will meet on Sunday, 3/17 after mass with Carmella.

#### **Brian:**

Next IGA food drive is planned for 4/13/24. Will call this week to confirm. The Knights will be ordering more bibles for this year's Class of 2024 graduates. Our last food drive brought in \$550 in cash donations. End of year BBQ for our Youth Group to be determined. Flowers for Mother's Day after each mass? Bibles for Seniors Date TBD.

#### **Jeannette & Jay:**

Choir is rehearsing for lent masses.

#### **Angel & Emilia:**

Their RCIA group will be sponsoring one of the Stations of the Cross at the evening mass and they will also be sponsoring a Lenten dinner.

### **Updates on Partners in the Gospel:**

**Pat** – last week, 5 of us went to Partners in the Gospel Training and here is a brief on what we all shared about the training. We laughed and cried and shared. We were all given the opportunity to envision a future. It was nice to see a lot of our priests there greeting and sharing with each other.

**Jeannette** – We had a technical conversation, including timeline of paperwork to be completed for each parish. We had a discerning about hopes & dreams for our future parishes and we discovered that we all shared a lot of common feelings with these future plans.

**Annette** – We talked about taking things slow with the first few phases. For now, we get to keep accounts separate and it was nice to hear that there are no major changes happening anytime soon.

**LeeAnn** – Shared that the transition workbook is due in 10 days. This workbook will most likely be shared with other parish families.

**Alicia** – Although I found myself overwhelmed with information, it was very good information. I like that we are breaking things down into phases. It helps me paint an easy to follow timeline. Change is always hard. We need to be supportive with parishioners who are most struggling with the change and reassure them how and why these changes are necessary. It is a journey that we will all have to walk through together.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.** Our next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2024