



St Michael Parish

Standard Committee Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2024

Upper Meeting Room

Present: Jake Asuncion, Susan Bakhshi, Martha Bogue, Father Dailey, Greg Daniel, Lauren Fromme, Father Johnstone, Mike LaMorte, Sister Mary Regina, Emily Mauro, Elaine Miracle, Scott Siemens, Joe Soller, Mallory Waldmiller, and Greg Wollum

1. **Opening Prayer** – Father Dailey
2. **Approval of April Minutes** - Scott Siemens
3. **Pastor Update and Topics for Discussion/Observation of the Parish Life** – Father Dailey
 - a. Parish Finances and Financial Statement
 - i. The year-end parish report as of 6/30/24 and the St. Michael Festival income statement were distributed.
 - ii. Lauren Fromme from the St. Michael School Advisory Board presented information regarding the Scholarship Granting Organization and St. Michael can benefit from it. The members of the pastoral council were encouraged to discuss this opportunity with their ministries.
 - b. Adoration Campaign
 - i. There will be invitations in the church pews along with cards in the mail to invite parishioners to commit to weekly Eucharist Adoration.
 - c. Parish Mission/Sister Parish
 - i. The parish mission will be focused on Eucharistic and adoration topics. Father would like to partner with a sister parish to assist with both their spiritual and financial needs. Ideally, this will begin next liturgical year.
 - d. Knights of the Altar
 - i. A fraternity of young men in grades 8 to 12 whose primary privilege is serving the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and other liturgies. They will meet twice a month beginning in October.
 - e. Confraternity of Christian Mothers
 - i. A group of women not necessarily mothers, but women who work for the salvation of the parish.
 - f. Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
 - i. Will meet on Sunday mornings before the 10:30 a.m. Mass and also on Wednesday evenings after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Jake Neal will lead the Sunday session and Father Dailey will lead the Wednesday session.



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- g. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine/ Parish School of Religion
 - i. Interviews are being conducted for catechists for CCD/PSR. Will likely have something available for parents looking to have their children confirmed this year and have a complete formation program in place by next school year.
 - h. Church Interior
 - i. There is concern that a large amount of the church congregation's view of the altar is restricted due to the size of the ambo.
 - i. Parish Social Life
 - i. There was discussion about possible social events for all ages of parishioners.
4. **Chairperson Report** – Martha Bogue
- a. Upcoming Meeting Dates
 - i. October 22, November 26, January 28, February 25, March 25 and April 29. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.
 - b. Bereavement Ministry
 - i. Seasons of Hope will be held at St. Michael on Sundays beginning in October for 5 weeks.
 - c. Christmas Decorating
 - i. Possible dates for both outdoor and indoor Christmas decorating were discussed. The complexity of the decorations was also discussed. Will further the conversation at next month's meeting.
 - d. Ministry Fair
 - i. Father would like to hold a ministry fair in January during ordinary time.
5. **Standing Member Reports**
- a. St. Michael School – Sister Mary Regina
 - i. The enrollment for this school year has remained steady. The 6th and 7th grades will be participating in the Ohio March for Life on October 4th.
 - b. Youth Group – Jake Asuncion
 - i. High school youth ministry meets weekly on Sunday evenings. There were 12 students in attendance last week. Middle school youth group meets every other week on Sunday afternoons. Planning on traveling to Crank's Creek before Christmas with the St. Brendan's youth group again this year. We have a good relationship with Bishop Watterson and St. Francis DeSales High Schools. Have recently reached out to Thomas Worthington High School.



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6. Appointed Member Reports

- a. Knights of Columbus –Mike LaMorte
 - i. A list of service hour opportunities for middle students has been compiled. There is an opportunity on October 19th to help with ground clean-up for the Bridgettine Sisters. On November 9th, there will be an estate planning meeting with the OLP and IC councils.
- b. Women’s Faith and Formation – Emily Mauro
 - i. Three Candlelights have been scheduled including one for couples and one for mothers and daughters. Mom’s Day Out is meeting again on Friday mornings. Pietra meets weekly along with an evening bible study. Plans are underway for service projects including a blanket and candle drive.
- c. Respect Life – Mallory Waldmiller
 - i. Ohio March for Life is Friday October 4th. Will be holding a baby shower drive in Marian Hall during the 9 day novena beginning October 22nd. See bulletin and Flock note in October for Respect Life content.
- d. St. Vincent DePaul – Elaine Miracle
 - i. In the past 2 months, 14 families have been assisted with rent and utilities totaling \$20,000. In September, 10 home visits were completed, 20 households were served in the food pantry and 8 other local parishes were assisted. Upcoming events include the coat drive in October and Sponsor a Family and the Giving Tree in November.
- e. Adoration – Greg Daniel
 - i. Please consider spending a week with our Lord.
- f. Boy Scouts – Joe Soller
 - i. Christmas wreath sale will take place at the end of October.
- g. Cub Scouts – Greg Wollum and Scott Siemens
 - i. Cub Scouts will be at the Worthington Farmers Market selling popcorn. They will be selling popcorn after Masses the weekend of October 26th and 27th. Camp out is scheduled for October 19th and 20th.

7. Closing Prayer – Father Dailey

Meeting Adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Susan Bakhshi, Secretary