

# **Finance Council Minutes**

**St. John the Baptist Parish, Seymour / December 9, 2025**

**Present:** Father Sengole, Paula Helms, Debbie Rusch, Dan VanBoxtel, Dennis Dercks, Sue Keysers, Karen Reed, Joey Bluma and Margie Marcks

**Absent:** Kevin Reese

Meeting began in prayer.

Minutes from the October 7 meeting were approved by Dan VanBoxtel, seconded by Sue Keysers.

## **CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

A committee has been formed of seven members, who plan to meet four times a year (June, September, December and March). A member will also report to the Finance Counsel four times a year informing the Council on what has been accomplished, expenses incurred, and plans for upcoming the year.

This past year, a tractor was purchased and the roof on the outbuilding at the cemetery was repaired.

A sub-committee will be formed to work on the Reflection Area and to review the cemetery rules.

## **BUILDING & GROUNDS REPORT**

While Hoffman & Associates were inspecting the school roof, they noted specific issues with two of the roof drains and the outside ledge that the rubber is attached to is being pulled inward. Inspections of the building structure, electrical, plumbing and heating systems was completed on November 6<sup>th</sup>. They are currently processing their report and should have it ready soon.

Jerry (at Osborn Roofing) stated that the drain add outside ledge repairs could be completed by Osborn Roofing with an estimate of \$500 per drain. The repairs to the outside ledge would need closer inspection at time of removal. If additional materials or work would be needed, it would be on a time and material basis.

All is set with Osborn Roofing to replace flat roof on school this next spring.

## **Finance Update**

We are \$7500 behind parish support (collections and envelopes) from what was received last year (July thru November). Hoping for a surge at the end of December.

It was suggested that a statement be put in the bulletin (on a quarterly basis) stating where we are with parish support of collections and envelopes. Father will also give an announcement at Mass.

Work is being started on a list of needs to present to the parish in the bulletin; list will be comprised of priorities which will be addressed one at a time. Once one item is addressed, money received will be put toward the next item.

Two new computers were purchased – for Lee Rynish and John Steltz.

A CD is coming due in December and the Counsel was asked if it should be renewed for another 12 months. Currently, CD's come due every three months, so money is available if needed. Dennis Dercks made a motion to renew the December CD for another year, seconded by Debbie Rusch.

The Christmas loose collection offering will be split three ways: Knights of Columbus, Food Pantry and St. Vincent DePaul.

A motion was made by Dan VanBoxtel to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Dennis Dercks.

Next meeting will be **Tuesday, February 10, 2026.**

Closing Prayer.