



# *St. Alphonsus Parish Council Minutes*

**Parish Council Meeting** – January 28, 2025 – Meeting called to order by Doug Slobodnik 6:00

**Members present:** Father Ross Epping, Barb Brown, Morgan Yoder, Judy Hoover Warning, Bitrus Gwamna, Doug Slobodnik, Maureen Walsh, Mary Panther, Marc Lindeen, Bob Donnolly, Kent Metcalf

**Absent:** Ryan Harvey, Adrian Rubey, Irma Perez

**Opening Prayer:** Bitrus

**Minutes:** Motion to approve made by Marc, seconded by Bitrus

**Pastoral Comments:** Nothing to report.

## **Committee Reports**

- a. **Social Action:** No new meeting. The Parish collection for Cradle of Hope was around \$1200. Additionally, Altar and Rosary contributed \$500.
- b. **Liturgy:** The Christmas season went extremely well. The Church was decorated beautifully, the new banners also looked great at the back of the sanctuary.
- c. **Parish Life:** No new meeting.
- d. **Building and Grounds:** The next meeting will be held in the coming weeks. Manning hall as a door on the north side that is collecting water in front of it, eventually causing a frozen puddle. There is a dip in the concrete that will need to be resolved.
- e. **Faith Formation:** The recent Confirmation retreat held on January 11, went well. Karaoke fundraiser for NCYC coming up February 21. Totus Tuus will be the week of July 20-28, 2025. Kelley Tansey will be stepping down as Faith Formation Director effective May 16, 2025.
- f. **Finance:** The Church is looking good financially.
- g. **Hispanic Ministries:** The December events went very well and were well attended.

## **Old Business**

- a. **Holiday Parade – December 5:** Overall went well despite the frigid temperatures.
- b. **Welcoming Schedule:** Schedule has been made for the year to do treats after mass. The Welcoming Weekend has been moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of each month.

## **New Business**

- a. **Chamber Dinner – March 27:** It was agreed that we should decorate a table. Will coordinate with Barb to brainstorm ideas.
- b. **Arthritis Run / Walk:** Maureen reported the event will not happen this year, potentially next year, 2026.
- c. **Stewardship Drive:** Father reported there will be a Stewardship Drive the weekend of February 15/16

**Next Meeting:** February 25, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Bob will offer the opening and closing prayer.

**Closing Prayer:** Kent

**Meeting Adjourned by Doug at 6:30 p.m.**

*Respectfully submitted – Morgan Yoder, secretary*