

**Corpus Christi Parish  
Council Meeting  
May 19th, 2026**

**In Attendance:** David Hill, Allison Kern, Richard Greiff, Chris Stuhldreher, Annette Whitaker, Laurie Wiley, and Marvin Winkeler

**Ex-Officio in Attendance:** Michele Stroot, Neil Jansen

**Excused:** Jen Derickson, Derrick Lebryk

**Ex-Officio Excused:** Fr. Paul Wienhoff

VP Annette Whitaker began the meeting with prayer at 7:03 PM.

One Guest – Chase McAnally-Kern.

**Minutes of last meeting:** Correction- Fr. Paul amended the statement on cancellation of Catholic Schools Week with “due to inclement weather.” Motion for approval by Allison Kern; 2nded by Rich Greiff. Motion carried.

**FINANCE**

No meeting since last Council meeting. Cash holdings at \$407,600 which are up \$7300 from March. Liabilities are down \$1800. The operating fund is essentially on budget and Debt Reduction Fund is projected to positively exceed projections. Chicken dinner served 801, netting \$10,700.

**LITURGICAL**

- Changing over to Prayer of Peace from Prayer of Civility for petitions response.
- 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in June will be NAME TAG weekend.
- No holy day for Assumption as the 15<sup>th</sup> is on Saturday. Might add an extra rosary or two.

**PASTORAL/SOCIAL**

- Felt Easter Vigil went well.
- Graduation reception was lightly attended (3 students and families). Struggling with proper time to do this. May return to Sunday morning with breakfast theme again.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

- Doors on Parish Center have been measured but need commercial bids. Wilke no longer does commercial.
- Squirrels have temporarily stopped in Grootens.
- Church A/C has an external fans issue. They are out of sync; hence not running properly.
- Water leak in office area of Parish Center. Will have Ken Diekemper check downspouts and possible mulch buildup.
- Exterminator – alternating application between inside and outside to keep ants at bay.

**YOUTH MINISTRY –**

- Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM at St. Joseph’s had 8 youth and 5 adults.
- The rescheduled date of May 6th craft night only had 2 youth in attendance - it was not rescheduled due to only 2 kids

- Looking to holding a movie night in June.
- Joseph House
  - May 4<sup>th</sup> was the last event for this year with the Men's Club providing food and cooking. Had about 88 students. Suspect attendance down due to finals week.
  - Anticipate McKendree "Into the Streets" program will be Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Needs someone to coordinate.
- Bereavement Ministry – Cheryl Heimerman continues to send cards to families at time of death and on the 1-year anniversary.
- Card Ministry - Last cards for the academic year went out end of April. Adding 3 new students and 4-5 graduating high school seniors. Will also have new seminarians. For the seminarians, would like to do "gift card tree" again for them in early August.

### COMMUNICATION –

- MyParish app and Evangelus have been officially discontinued. FLOCKNOTES has been implemented which has features that are more robust. Allows for better defined groups for making contact.

### EDUCATION-

- Spring Family Activity Day on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, was a success. Featured making their own "coat of arms" like Bishop Godfrey.
- There were 4 1<sup>st</sup> communicants.
- PSR – will need to split 5/6<sup>th</sup> grades from 7<sup>th</sup>. Creates need for a couple more teachers. With our chaplain intern moving up with the 5/6<sup>th</sup> grades, we will need a 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.
- Last PSR session was May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Resume on Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> due to Partnership Mass on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Will be reaching out to potential students for the Sacraments of Initiation to hopefully have a plan come Fall.
- **CLW**- Last session was May 10<sup>th</sup>. Resumes August 9<sup>th</sup>. Averaged 9 kids per Sunday during Spring.
- St. Clare 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation is tonight. We have 2 graduates. 1 student graduated from Kindergarten last week.
- **OCIA** – A sophomore student has expressed interest. Working on a combined OCIA/PSR program with additional special classes on Baptism/First Communion/First Reconciliation.
- **Adult Faith Formation** – Looking at "The Search" from Augustine Institute in Fall. 7-session program. Exploring possible soup supper prior to sessions or some form of potluck. Also exploring alternating between the Parishes. May use alternating facilitators. Definitely in need of facilitators.

### OUTREACH – no update.

### PARTNERSHIP –

- Soup/Salad on Holy Thursday nicely attended.
- Picnic is August 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Joseph.

### OLD BUSINESS –

- Security – now have a template to use. Need an additional meeting to create a plan.
- Credit Card for Parish – Looking at a Mastercard for open purchases. We believe the "controls" are in place to avoid fraud/theft.

### NEW BUSINESS –

**Round the Table**

- Allison Kern is still pricing new items for the Church Nativity Set with the Trivia proceeds.
- Michele Stroot noted there are still Raffle tickets in need of purchase.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Led by Annette at 7:56 P.M.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, at 7 pm in the Parish Center.