

St. Joseph the Worker TEAM Meeting Minutes February 15, 2026

Opening Prayer:

- TEAM President Peggy Billhartz called the meeting to order at 9:19 am with the opening prayer.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

- **Minutes from the Meeting of December 2025:**
 - The Minutes from the December 21, 2025, meeting were presented.
 - **A motion was made** by Mary Alice Keith, seconded by Geoff Davis, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved.

Approval of Treasurer's Report:

- **For the months of January & February 2026: (No Meeting in January):**
 - The Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2026 (based on December 2025 bank statement activity) was presented by Treasurer Mary Alice Keith.
 - The bank balance as of December 31, 2025, was \$8,332.96. Outstanding items per the bank reconciliation include payments to Ball-Chatham Food Pantry (\$500), Holy Family Food Pantry (a part of Catholic Charities) (\$500), and St. Patrick's School in Springfield (\$300), resulting in the checkbook balance of \$7,032.96
 - The Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2026 (based on January 2026 bank statement activity) was presented by Treasurer Mary Alice Keith.
 - The bank balance as of January 31, 2026, was \$7,036.05. Since we have not yet received the bank reconciliation, no reconciling items are shown. We will have that for our next meeting.
 - **A motion was made** by JoAnn Nelson, seconded by Kathy Bednarchik, to approve the Treasurer's Reports for January and February 2026 as presented.
- **Breakfast Sign-up for 2026:**
 - With the cancellation of the March Meeting, Mel will take the May meeting for breakfast.
 - Geoff & Rita Davis will make breakfast for the April meeting.

New Business:

- **Art & Craft Fair 2026: scheduled for Saturday, October 17th:**
 - Peggy reported that Nichole Poss will again chair the Art & Craft Fair and has submitted the paperwork to the office. Thanks so much Nichole!
 - Discussion was then held as to who our benefactor should be this year. The Titan Fuel program has been in the past.
 - **A motion was made** by Mel Kuntemeier, seconded by Geoff Davis, to approve the splitting of the net proceeds (after expenditures) of the 2026 Art & Craft Fair with the Titan Fuel Program. Motion approved.

- **March 2026 Meeting:**
 - Peggy asked those members present for their thoughts on whether to hold a meeting in March.
 - After a brief discussion, the following motion was presented:
 - **A motion was made** by JoAnn Nelson, seconded by Geoff Davis, to cancel our meeting scheduled for the month of March 2026. Motion approved.
 - Peggy will put a notice in the bulletin, News You Can Use and on Facebook.

- **Other Business**
 - **Thank You Received:**
 - Peggy reported that TEAM has received Thank You's from: Ball-Chatham Food Pantry, Holy Family Food Pantry in Springfield & St. Patrick's Catholic School in Springfield for our contributions of \$500, \$500, and \$300, respectively.

 - **Faith Formation:**
 - Rodger Anderson reported that Janice Anderson will be resigning her position with Faith Formation at St. Joseph the Worker after the conclusion of the program year in April.
 - Faith Formation is struggling to get volunteers; enrollment is down about 50%.
 - Discussion followed regarding why we are struggling in that area while some other churches are thriving.
 - Decisions are being made by management that will affect the public image of the Parish. No details provided.
 - **Open Positions:** include Youth Minister, Vacation Bible School, soon to be Faith Formation, etc.

 - **Music Ministry / John Kennedy:**
 - Rodger also mentioned how much John Kennedy contributes to the Parish.
 - Any money he receives from families for funerals he donates to the Music Ministry.
 - Roger is asking for TEAM to contribute to the Music Ministry to help support their various needs.
 - When asked what amount is needed, he responded between \$3,000 and \$4,000.
 - While we are certainly supportive of the Music Ministry, concern was expressed about maintaining adequate fund balance in our TEAM account, since we were unable to have our Mostaccioli Dinner fund raiser in 2025 due to the uncertainty of our ongoing construction.
 - More details are needed as to the specific needs.
 - Rodger indicated that he will bring more details to our April meeting.

 - **Upcoming Events:**
 - **Mostaccioli Dinner:**
 - ❖ Rodger reported that he will chair the Dinner this year, taking over from Brian Stenke, who will become more involved with the Finance Council, taking over Bruce Thompson's chairman position after their move. The dinner is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, November 1st, but is contingent on the Faith Formation calendar.

- **Pancake & Sausage Breakfast:**
 - ❖ Rodger will again chair the Breakfast. Thanks Rodger!

- **Senior Graduation Breakfast:**
 - ❖ Rodger also reported that due to the kitchen work not done yet, there is some concern whether we will be able to have the annual Senior Graduation Breakfast.

- **Ice Cream Social:**
 - ❖ Peggy to check with the Snyders regarding chairing the Social again.

Breakfasts:

- **Today:** Thank you to Mary Alice Keith
- April 19th Breakfast: Geoff & Rita Davis
- May 17th Breakfast: Mel Kuntemeier

Upcoming TEAM Sponsored Events:

- **March 15th Meeting: Cancelled.**
- **Next TEAM Meeting: Sunday, April 19th at 9:15 am in the Resource Room.**
- **Art & Craft Fair 2026:** is scheduled for Saturday, October 17th.
- **Mostaccioli Dinner:** November 1st?? -- contingent upon Faith Formation schedule?

WATCH Retreat 2026: is scheduled for Saturday, March 21, 2026

Meeting Attendees: Peggy Billhartz, Mel Kuntemeier, Anita Jackson, Kathy Bednarchik, Mary Alice Keith, Geoff & Rita Davis, JoAnn Nelson, Charlene Vollmer, JoAnn Nelson, and Rodger Anderson.

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 am with the closing prayer led by Peggy Billhartz.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mel Kuntemeier

TEAM Secretary

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