

## Holy Family Parish Council Meeting Minutes – September 26, 2023

**Attendees:** Fr. George Munjanattu, Jackie Mudd (Chairperson), Helen Arnold, Bennet Davis, Jim Gast, Elizabeth Hobson, Seena Iype, Michele Osbourn and Becky Morris.

**Absent:** Deacon Pat Wright and Jim Gast.

Fr. George opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer.

1. Debt Reduction Discussion – Finance Committee has approved payment of \$40,000. \$20K being paid now with the remaining amount held until January in case of other parish needs. The Finance Committee, with Fr. George’s approval, already approved a \$1,500/month payment to the Archdiocese to continue to pay down the amount on the loan.
2. Statue Review – Over \$29,900 has been raised for the new statue (goal \$25,000). Volunteers will build the base for the statue providing additional savings. The Council discussed what to do with the excess funds. It was recommended to set up a sub-account for these funds until a decision is made. It was noted future funds will be needed to maintain the statue and area around it. David Nett will be the mediator handling purchase of the statue.
3. Flagpole Update – David Allgeier is running a power source to light up the flagpole in front of the Archdiocesan building. At the same time, David will be providing power to provide lighting for the new statue.
4. Saffin Center Update – The Saffin Center committee met September 26, 2023.
  - An audit of their budget shows in July Saffin Center made \$1,900.
  - There are already 3 new renters expected to be repeats.
  - One legacy group requesting to rent the gym spare week nights for their activities once school basketball practices are over.
  - Improvements – the kitchen and bar will be cleaned and painted the weekend of 9/29-10/1. Color will be light gray. (Paint provided free.)
  - We are waiting on the KY State full liquor license. The team will be researching pricing and menus and if there are any restrictions to where we must purchase the alcohol.
5. Welcoming Packet – Jackie and Seena to work on this.
6. Music Update – Jackie will get with Rachel about trying new music, possible practice before Masses, additional musicians. There is an issue with the organ (some keys and stops). Full repair estimated at \$15,000. Options include leaving as is, requesting Archdiocese to share in repair cost (since used for their events), contacting a team who maintains the large organ at Memorial Colosseum for advice. **ACTION ITEM:** Jackie to ask Rachel to contact team at Memorial Colosseum.

7. Marian Pilgrimage – Fr. George wants to offer parishioners an opportunity to attend a Marian Pilgrimage in Falmouth, KY on October 20th. **ACTION ITEM:** An announcement will be put in the bulletin. Attendees may car pool or rent a bus depending on interest. Jackie and Pam Stober will take reservations.
8. We may have a new maintenance person from Spalding.
9. Health Fair was a big success. Approximately 60 vendors with about 400+ in attendance. There were 150 flu shots given.
10. Kayley Malloy is unable to continue as our liaison to young adults at Bellarmine, Spalding and U of L. Fr. George is considering hiring a young adult to work with Holy Family to develop a Young Adult Program. The goal is to help young adults to reconnect to the Church or, for those who do not have a current parish, invite them to join us at Holy Family. The Program would need to connect with the issues important to young adults today. (Father asked Elizabeth Dobson to provide information and support.)
11. Fr. George stated that a food pantry is being started for students at Bellarmine who need some assistance with food and personal items. More information to come on this.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. with a prayer led by Fr. George. .

**Next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2023.**

(Minutes submitted by Becky Morris.)