

St. Ann Parish Council Meeting.

September 13, 2025

Present: Sue Massie, Lois Kemppainen, Kathy Juetten, Greg Lazarri, Sue Skytta, Joe Brisson, & Father Ben

Absent: Sally Koskinen

Meeting called to order by Kathy at 2 PM followed by prayer.

Lois made a motion to accept the minutes of last month's meeting - seconded by Sue Massie – motion passed.

Father Ben's comments: Our October Parish Council meeting will be 10-25-25 due to Father Ben's schedule.

Fr. Ben showed us pictures of "altar coverings", which he would like to use on the altar at St. Ann's parish if they can be made to fit. These were purchased personally by Fr. Ben.

Fr. Ben said that Bishop John will be in our Parishes the weekend of November 1st and 2nd., to install him as Pastor. Due to the hunter's supper, no special dinner will be planned.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Greg Lazarri reported: Checking: \$40,198.32 Building Fund: \$36,054.68

Investment Pool \$152,666.32

Sacred Heart School Finance-(Sally) We have 54 students. A bus was purchased that is in good shape and cost less than donation given to provide it. It is already in service. The school Finance meeting is later this month.

Ladies Guild-(Kathy) 4 beige table clothes for the large round tables are missing. If anyone knows their whereabouts, please let us know.

Parish Services (Sue M)- No report.

Liturgy and Worship (Sue S)- Sue will show Father the artificial flowers we would like to order. Kathy reported that the Guild would like to pay for them.

Sacred Heart School (Joe) School has started. Father came and blessed the school and each classroom.

Faith Formation (Joe) Confirmation will be on the 5th of October in Lake Linden, Michigan. The Confirmation retreat for BCCC will be at Sacred Heart Parish on October 4th. We have 9 confirmands from BCCC this year.

Buildings & Grounds: (Greg) Greg recommended moving forward with the **stain glass preservation project** as presented by the Willet stained glass studios proposal of \$50,485 or \$52,000 and asked if there were any questions. It was asked if the windows were actually in danger at which point Father Ben said there was some concern about caulking and the wood around the plexi-glass which is protecting the windows but the windows themselves seem to be in good shape. Father would like more information from other Priests who have had this type of work done on their parishes in the past or have found it unnecessary. Tabled for further study.

Greg also talked about future projects i.e. **tuck pointing**, is on hold for Diocesan approval. **Resurfacing the parking lot**, he is looking into possible ways to get the jobs done cheaper, tabled projects for now.

Hunter Supper (Sally) Kathy has received the state license for the raffle and has applied for Tribal licensing. The Tribal meeting will be Sept. 18th and we should receive that license shortly after that. The K of C agreed to cook. Save the date (Nov. 2nd) is in the bulletin. We will schedule a meeting soon.

We had a brief discussion about the cost of printing for the raffle as it has increased and we have no sponsor to cover that cost. Consensus was that there is no problem with considering it just the cost of running a raffle and can be covered by the profits. That said, it is a good idea to see if another printer can do them for less. Kathy will be checking.

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM followed by prayer.

Next meeting is October 25th

Submitted by Joe Brisson for Sally Koskinen Secretary