HOLY CROSS PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Thursday, April 4, 2024

Holy Cross Parish Statement of Mission: Having been gifted with the life of the Lord, we the Parish Family of Holy Cross also accept our mission from Him. Our Mission is TO PRAISE THE FATHER, proclaim His word, and instruct the coming generation. TO ENCOUNTER THE SON in the sacraments and walk in the way of faith, hope, and love; TO LIVE IN THE SPIRIT, welcome each other, share our faith and blessings, bring our sacrifices, and be strengthened in the Father's service.

- Members present: Fr. Steven, Sherry Geier, Holly Nettleton, Sharon Edwards, Cindy Blank, Dusty Smithenry, Carl Will, Kevin Blank, Tony Kuenstler, Tammy Rudolphi, Tonya Hall, Kelly Geier
- Naming of Concerns by Parishioners/Guest Present- Picnic Committee member, Taylor Hall presented some building and grounds issues that the Picnic Committee would like to address or have addressed including power-washing the Parish Hall, replacing posts on the pavilions, filling holes in the ground around the Parish Hall, and replacement of tents destroyed in last year's picnic storm damage.
- Financial Review- Holy Cross has (approximately) \$330,000 in long-term investments i.e. certificates of deposit, some dedicated to building or cemetery fund. Checking accounts (general and building)-\$382,000; (cemetery, picnic, CYM, Charity/Mass, and Ladies Altar Sodality) approximately \$132,000. Church Fire Donations are \$190,000 (amount spent to date will be published periodically). Sunday collections: January-\$9,256.00, February-\$11,049.00, March-\$13,161.50 (plus \$3,545.00 Easter).

Building and Grounds

- Will hold a garage sale in May to clear unwanted items from the Parish House remodel. The date will be published in the bulletin.
- Church restoration-update, fundraising, will plan next parishioner walk through in April. Keep watching Flocknote and bulletin inserts for updates. This week the committee is finishing ideas for floor covering and pew placement. Those have been sent to Wright's Flooring and Wood Renovators for additional input. We expect pricing and a timeline for these two items by the end of next week.
- Cemetery-the new committee has been meeting and will come to the council with a proposal for layout and construction recommendations to prepare the east side of the road for burials.
- Kevin Blank with Meagher Signs has removed the damaged sign at the Wakefield corner and will replace when a new design has been chosen.

St. Joseph School Support

Update from Tammy Rudolphi- St. Joseph School will begin sending a monthly bill/statement for subsidy payments to provide a paperwork trail for Holy Cross and St. Joseph Stringtown offices.

Church Ministries

- o Pastoral Associate & CRE-Caroline & Ashley-Family Catechesis-report attached.
- Family Life-Cindy, Tammy-Reminder for the Road Rally coming up on April 13, 2024. All are encouraged to attend as there are many fun activities planned throughout the day and many prizes to win.
- Youth-Tyler-fund-raising is almost complete for this year's mission trip. Tyler and the youth are working on a plan and budget to renovate part of the Parish House basement to make a more inviting space for instruction and activities.

Pastor Report – (Fr. Steven)

- Date & Time of Next Meeting-Thursday, June 6, 2024, after mass.
- Adjournment & Blessing