

Parish Council Meeting Agenda-Minutes

St Boniface Parish

Meeting Date: 11/19/2025 6:00PM

Attendees:

Council Members		Parishioners in Attendance		St. Boniface Staff	
Jackie Chesher	X			Father Rudy	
Eusebio Picardo				Jenni Lindgren	X
Tito Sanchez	X			Kim Childs	
Casey Scullin	X				
Jacob Bryant					
Joe Ruter	X				
Mark Lewis	X				
Carol Roosa	X				

CALL TO ORDER and WELCOME

- Approve September minutes - approved
- Council members address issues during the meeting; guests speak upon approval, and at the end of the meeting

Opening Prayer - Fr Rudy

PASTORAL REPORT – Fr Rudy - absent

- Next Generation Parish:
 - Old Business
 - Update: Archdiocese is working on the organization of the OLG family:
 - Update: Create business administrator job description/position – people from Archdiocese will hold a preliminary meeting with a couple of Business Managers – still pending additional possible re-organization
 - Update: Parish Council for the family:
 - Meeting held – still working through roles and responsibilities for the group – will be meeting quarterly
 - Update: OLG family bulletin: a meeting was held with Business Managers to discuss bulletin - ongoing
 - New Business:
 - Any update regarding an additional parochial vicar for the parish family – still pending

SCHOOL REPORT – Kim Childs: absent

- Old Business:

- Enrollment numbers – one pre-school opening; total enrollment for the school is 206
- Update: security at 9:30 Mass – no challenges
- Update: Archdiocese is mandating that all schools have a facial recognition program (Raptor) to ensure that no sex offenders gain entrance to the school – supposed to be in place by December

New Business

- Knights of Columbus provided coats to students
- Clown visited pre-school through second grade – performed tricks and gave out candy
- Planned field trip for 8th graders to attend job expo
- Percussion club begins 12/3
- School Christmas program will be held on 12/19

PARISH AND FINANCIAL REPORT – Jenni Lindgren:

- Old Business:
 - Update: Security cameras for church and school – need FEMA approval for all for placement of security cameras – delayed due to government shut down
 - Update: Church bells still not ringing on Sunday – problem being worked
 - Update: Change sign over to the digital – waiting on permit to install the sign
- New Business:
 - Schedule for services through Advent and Christmas established and distributed
- Financial update:
 - Parish will end the fiscal year in red due to timing of incurring expenses and receiving funds – fixed coal chute and tuck pointing of school and church where significant expenses
 - Suffered a financial loss due to cancellation of the Hispanic Festival – Hispanic community has been doing food sales to compensate for festival financial losses
 - School: appears to be in the red due to overhead of starting the school year which is a leading expense; this will balance out once funds start to be received
 - Concern around the cost of utilities since overall costs are rising
 - Government is cutting subsidies so cafeteria will eventually need some financial support from the school

OTHER MINISTRIES

Worship Commission (Joe Ruter)

- Mass of Remembrance: Mass was well attended with four next of kin families attending the reception after Mass
- Schedule of liturgical events for November and December has been created and distributed
- Bilingual Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving at noon
- Cycle A in the liturgy will begin the first Sunday of Advent
- December 8th is Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a holy day of obligation – Mass will be said in English at 9:30 and again at 7:00 PM and is bilingual
- The recitation of the Jubilee prayer will discontinue on 12/28 as the Holy Year will conclude on 1/6/2026
- Concert of Sacred Music as performed by students from the Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy is scheduled for December 7th at 7:00PM. Admission is free, but a good will offering is appreciated

- The Worship Committee for Our Lady of Guadalupe family has been formed at met in October
- Worship Committee will be reconfigured in the coming months to better manage tasks and accountability
- Establish an arts and environment group to plan and implement liturgical décor
- Update: Create and communicate:
 - a protocol for use of the sacristy and who may enter before Mass and what can be stored there so that a prayerful environment is observed and respected, especially immediately before any liturgical celebration.
 - guidelines for parents about children's behavior at Mass that distracts the celebrant and congregation.
 - a protocol for the presentation and blessing of children at Mass, now offered at the Prayer After Communion instead of during the Offertory.

SVDP Food Pantry:

- Turkey give-away on Saturday 11/22
- Gift wrapping by pantry volunteers weekend of 12/6 and 12/14 before Mass – fund raiser for the food pantry
- Christmas gift selection for pantry shoppers will take place through December
- Reduction in SNAP benefits along reduced government support for Free Store Food Bank has placed a financial strain on the pantry

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update: Bible study – up and running for 3 sessions
- Parish Council membership: keeping it at 8 or will a request be made for new members to begin in September – deferred to next meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- Letter from parishioner shared with council regarding sound system in the church; concern was acknowledged and agree sound system is appropriate for the environment
- Novena for our Lady Guadalupe begins 12/3 and is every night until 12/12
- Las Mañanitas on 12/12 at 5:00AM
- Church will be cleaned on 12/5
- Steps are being taken to recognize the retirement of Don Auberger

Next meeting is January 28, 2025, at 6:00PM in the Parish Office meeting room