

St. Francis Xavier
Parish Council Meeting
March 11, 2025

Members Present: Fr. Dale Cieslik, Sandee Clark, Nancy Collett, Joey Followay, Keith Meyer, James Underwood, Chris Williams

Members Absent: Lou Leppert, Pattie Mattingly, Lisa Reed, Ed Scott, Paula Silliman, Michael Zygmunt

Meeting opened with prayer.

Chairman Lou Leppert was absent due to an out of state visit, so Council member, Chris Williams, led the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Chris directed a review of the January, 2025 minutes. Keith Meyer moved the minutes to be approved; James Underwood seconded; all in favor. Minutes were approved as revised.

Pastor's Report

Father Dale announced the dates and times of this year's Triduum masses. They are as follows:

Holy Thursday - April 17 at 7:00 pm

Good Friday - April 18 at 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil - April 19 at 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday - April 20 at 9:00 am and 11:00 am

The new target date for the change in kneeling posture at mass and filling of the pyxes for all parishes in the Archdiocese of Louisville is June 21-22 which is the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord. Father Dale will explain these minor changes to parishioners at mass.

Our new pastor will arrive on July 1.

Upcoming Nursing Home Masses over which Father Dale will preside:

- Inspirations of Mt. Washington on April 10 at 1:30 pm

Upcoming Deanery meetings (formerly called "Regional" meetings) at 1:30 pm on:

- March 25 at St. Michael in Fairfield
- April 29 at St. Thomas in Bardstown
- May 27 at St. Gregory in Samuels

The Finance Committee will present the 2025-26 Budget proposal to the Parish Council on May 13 and Parish Council will vote on budget approval on June 10.

Father Dale's other duties include:

- Retreat March 17-21 at St. Meinrad Monastery in Indiana
- Priest Personnel Board Meeting on March 13 and March 27 at 2:00 pm
- Priests' Support Group on March 18 at 1:00 pm at St. Michael's
- Alumni Board Meeting April 6-7 at St. Meinrad Monastery in Indiana
- Full-time residence move to 10630 Glenmary Springs Drive the week of March 31
- Priests' Assembly June 2-5 at St. Meinrad

Old Business

Chris Williams reported on the success of the Taste of St. Francis fundraiser. Over 200 people attended the event and it raised more than \$34,000 after payout for winners but before other expenses.

New Business

Chris welcomed Pattie Mattingly as new Member-at-Large. Previous member, Matt O'Connor, moved out of state, so alternate Pattie Mattingly has replaced him and will serve through the rest of that term, in 2027.

Lenten Fish Fries started last Friday and will continue each Friday through Lent.

Father Dale's retirement celebration is June 14 after the 5:00 mass

New Parish Council member selections will be in the spring. We will select two Members-at-Large and one Alternate Member. Keith Meyer and Sandee Clark will be rotating off the committee.

Committee Reports

Administration

Chris Williams reported that the campus security integration proposals will be sent to the Finance Committee this week for a vote. The project will begin as soon as possible. It will include additional cameras in the Parish Office, garage, Parish Hall, and an integration of all existing cameras.

The Religious Education Office renovation is complete. This project was funded through the iGiveCatholic fundraiser. Furniture was delivered and installed. The space will provide a meeting room for CFF Catechists, OCIA, and Deacon Earl's meetings. A Smart TV and rolling cart was also purchased for the room.

The Facilities Committee has been addressing roof leaks in the Xavier Center due to recent snow and ice. The roof has been inspected by Highland Roofing. Ceiling tiles and lights were replaced. Repair expenses have not totaled enough to file an insurance claim at this point.

Formation

No report.

Parish Life

No report.

Stewardship

No report.

Worship

No report.

The meeting closed in prayer.

The next Parish Council Meeting is May 13, 2025 at 6:45 pm.

Minutes submitted by Dana Steinmetz, Pastoral Council Secretary