

Church of the Resurrection

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes  
Church of the Resurrection Coffee Lounge  
June 3, 2024

Attendance:

Pastoral Council (voting members)

<b><u>Member</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
Martin Fienkeng	P
Laura Glaudemans	P
Greg Jolissaint (RS)	P
Bill Judy	Virtual
Gina Maclean (P)	P
Lorraine Miano-Fike (VP)	P
Martin Mullan (CS)	P
Mary Peroutka	P
Paul Reif	P
Carolyn Sherman	P
Paul Venginickal	P
Julie Winpisinger	P
Tom Lauer (new)	P
Cathy Parrish (new)	P
Brad Weiss (new)	P

Others in attendance

<b><u>Clergy</u></b>	
Msgr. John Dietzenbach	Pastor -- P
Father Paul Kongnyuy	Associate Pastor - Ex
<b><u>Committees</u></b>	
Lorraine Miano-Fike	Events Under the Tent
Cathy Hanks	Liturgy
John Wilkin	Social Justice
Mary Reif	Fellowship
Stephanie West	HSA
<b><u>Invited Guests</u></b>	
Judy Comiskey	Accounting
Christine Lederer	Accounting
Cindy Desrochers	Pastoral Staff Mgr

1. Call to Order: The Pastoral Council President, Gina Maclean, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm following the annual PC dinner conducted in the new Coffee Lounge.
2. Opening Prayer: Mary Peroutka said an opening prayer.
3. Roll Call/Quorum: Greg Jolissaint (RS) reported that a quorum was present.
4. Minutes: The meeting minutes of the May 6, 2024, Pastoral Council Meeting were approved via e-mail. The May 2024 Minutes have been uploaded to the Church of the Resurrection webpage.
5. Opening Comments: The PC President provided brief comments about the structure of tonight's meeting: the FY25 Budget will be presented during the Pastor's Report, then the

rest of the planned agenda will be addressed. The new PC members will be officially seated at the end of the final FY24 PC Business Meeting. Outgoing PC members and Committee Leads will depart following an informal farewell event. The FY25 PC members will then conduct the FY25 PC Executive Committee elections, officiated by a FY24 PC member who is cycling off the PC.

6. Pastor's report (provided by Msgr. Dietzenbach):

**Church Dedication Update** – Father John commented on how the Church Dedication Mass was a wonderful ceremony and how all weekend events contributed to a wonderful Church Dedication weekend. He thanked everyone who participated, especially Cathy Hanks and the Liturgy Committee.

**Budget Update** – Christine and Judy presented the budget. The Pastoral Staff is currently renegotiating the RSPS vs. Church share of the budget (goal is for RSPS to pay 60%, Church to pay 40%). The church mortgage will be ~\$35K per month (there is currently \$223K in the budget; we will require an additional ~\$200K to meet this mortgage payment requirement). There is currently no money in the budget for archdiocesan litigation; however, no expenditures are expected this FY. Committees are getting less budget and are expected to creatively fundraise for their projects and activities. Multiple questions were asked and answered by Christine and Judy. A recommendation was made to solicit parishioners to cancel their offertory envelopes if they exclusively use Faith Direct (Cindy said this would be done again). Following a short discussion, a motion to approve, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion, the PC Council approved the FY25 budget via a unanimous vote.

**New Hires Update** – Christine, Alice, and Beth are all departing effective July 1<sup>st</sup> – Father John is actively interviewing candidates. Kevin Skerry will be back from his shoulder surgery July 1<sup>st</sup>. A college student (Nick Jacob) is working part-time to help with the grounds and building maintenance for the summer.

7. President's Report (provided by Gina MacLean)

**Welcome to new members** – the PC President officially welcomed our new PC members who briefly introduced themselves (Cathy Parrish; Brad Weiss; and Tom Lauer).

**Events Under the Tent** (Lorraine Miano-Fike) – Lorraine commented that some events created for the Tent will continue; while in the tent, the goal was to have ~1 social event per month. Six of those events will continue – Trunk or Treat (Knights of Columbus and Cub Scouts), Fall Fest (Pastorate), Cocoa-Caroling-and Caring (ACTS Community), SSSMILE Village (Social Justice), Italian Dinner (Knights of Columbus), Irish Gala (Men's Club), 5K Run (RSPS).

**Pastorate Picnic** (Lorraine Miano-Fike) – Lorraine commented on how the Picnic will occur on Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> at Mary's Land Farm from 1-5pm. Father John's Farewell will occur ~3pm. One highlight will be a "Father John Trivia" game. There will be parking close to the picnic Pavilion for the Handicapped and Physically Challenged; Golf Carts will transport other picnickers from the new parking lot to the Pavilion. 350 RSVPs have thus far been received. Future Parish Picnics will also occur in June. Clear money-handling instructions have been published for the picnic.

**Fall Festival** (Greg Jolissaint) – the Silent Auction; 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Treasures; and Ticket Sales are the 3 largest money-makers. Contributions of Vacation weeks will be solicited from parishioners. Planning is moving forward nicely. Cindy Desrochers led a “terrain walk” with Fall Festival Directors that will result in the creation of a new Sunny Day Fall Festival activity placement diagram.

**Ordination Anniversary presentations** – the PC President has been tracking Priests and Deacons ordination anniversaries; she coordinated the gift, the gift card, and the Pulpit announcements. Cathy Parrish agreed to take over this responsibility from Gina.

**RSPS Update** – Sara Thomas is taking over as the School Liaison to the PC for the next school year; her contact information will be shared with the PC President (who will share it with the full PC). RSPS has 57 graduates this year. June 6 is final day of school.

**CAM feedback:**

\*a couple of parishioners have commented that the full frame glass wall next to the church entry doors is “hazardous” (people could walk into them). Cindy Desrochers commented that the Church is looking into solutions – etching the glass is not an option since the window wall glass is “Fire Glass.”

\*another parishioner commented that the church temperature is “cold” – Cindy is aware of the temperature concerns. She asks for patience as the Pastoral Staff work on the appropriate temperature settings for the Nave. Cindy has remote access to the thermostat. She asks for everyone to “please avoid adjusting the thermostats in the new spaces.”

\*one parishioner commented that the offertory baskets are difficult to handle for people with arthritis – but they also commented that the numbered baskets are working well.

\*some parishioners said they were confused about which doors they should use to enter the building for weekend Masses. Cindy commented that the main entrance doors, the link doors, and the Hall handicap entrance door (NW corner) are all unlocked for Mass. She suggested that a greeter be stationed outside the Hall handicapped entry door until parishioners understand the “new normal.” Liturgy (Cathy Hanks) will follow-up on this.

\*Coffee and donuts appear to be a popular event.

\*Cindy concluded the discussion of CAM Feedback with a request for PC members to forward parishioner comments to her *soon after they are received* (instead of once per month when they are discussed at a PC Meeting). Cindy would like to act on these comments, and provide solutions, in a timely manner.

**New pastor correspondence update** – the PC President has been communicating with Father Andy; one of those email communications articulated his desire to not have PC meetings on Mondays once he arrives (he plans to continue taking Mondays off). As of today, the July PC meeting is not scheduled – Father Andy has expressed a desire to first meet with the Resurrection and St. Paul PC Presidents before meeting with the full Pastoral Councils. We anticipate our first PC Meeting to be scheduled for August (perhaps the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday or Wednesday of the month)

8. Committee Reports:

The following every other month reports were submitted to the PC:

- Family Faith Formation Report (Susan Yost)
- Adult Faith Formation and Middle School Edge Report (Kate Kleintank)
- Youth Ministry Report (Shannon Turlik)

Committee Lead Comments made during the PC Meeting:

**Liturgy** (Cathy Hanks)

\*our new building is functioning well for Masses

\*attendance during the final 2 months in the tent was 60% of our pre-pandemic attendance

\*the Dedication Mass and Weekend Mass attendance was “amazing”

\*for the past 2 weekends, our Mass attendance has been 75% of pre-COVID numbers; we have also noted an increase in people with mobility devices and families with special needs family members, to include severely handicapped children; Cathy also noted an increase in younger families attending weekend Masses

\*the Gathering Space is working well for socialization purposes; there seems to be ample parking, even when church is full

**Social Justice** (John Wilkin)

\*SVdP is accommodating a lot of customers; there will be a Prayer Service on Friday at 7:30pm in the Chapel for St. Mary of Palestine

\*Social Justice is working with the Resurrection Knights to conduct a Saturday community donation event on June 22<sup>nd</sup> for Grass Roots and the Apostleship of the Sea

**Fellowship** (Mary Reif)

\*Fellowship just started conducting a monthly Coffee and Donuts event for the 7:30am Mass.

\*Fellowship is looking for parish organizations to take over serving and hosting coffee on weekends. Father John suggested that Fellowship and any participating organizations could place “Free Will” baskets on the Coffee Lounge counter in order to pay for the coffee and fixings.

**Adult Formation/Middle School Formation/Elementary School Formation/Youth**  
(Kate Kleintank)

\*since the meetings are moving from Monday nights to Sunday nights, meeting times will be changing for Elementary, Middle School, and Youth; times have been selected to ensure parents can drop off children on-time at both campuses, if required. Both campuses are being used to accommodate our Formation requirements.

\*A question was asked whether Resurrection has plans for a Young Adult Group – Kate responded there is currently no Young Adult group, but she acknowledges it may be time to reassess the requirement. This will be a topic for a future PC Meeting.

9. Having no further business to conduct, the PC President transitioned to recognizing the outgoing Council members – Laura Glaudemans, Mary Peroutka, and Martin Mullan were provided farewell cards from the Pastoral Council. A farewell gift was also provided to Father John from the Pastoral Council. Upon the conclusion of the farewells, the departing PC members, the Committee Leads, and Father John excused themselves for the next portion of the meeting.

10. Election of officers for the 2024 – 2025 year (FY25)

\*The Pastoral President first explained the process that would be followed for the nomination and election of new Pastoral Council Executive Committee Officers. Those PC members able to run for the 4 positions were clearly identified prior to beginning the process. Mary Peroutka was asked to officiate the process since she could serve as an objective participant (due to her cycling off the PC).

\*Church of the Resurrection PC Executive Officers were nominated and selected in the following order: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary.

\*Upon the conclusion of the nomination and voting procedures, the following Pastoral Council Executive Officers were elected for FY25:

**President – Greg Jolissaint**

**Vice President – Martin Fienkeng**

**Recording Secretary – Carolyn Sherman**

**Corresponding Secretary – Lorraine Maino-Fike**

11. Closing Prayer and Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Greg Jolissaint.

These minutes were approved electronically during the week ending June 11.

*Next regular meeting — TBD after arrival of new Pastor.*