

Attendees: Josh Harry, Randy Gomez, Mirka Deza, Brian Werner

Others Present: Fr Ken, Fr Ryan, Deacon Fred Cornwall, Deacon Don Shannon, David Reising, Nick Rahe, Susan

Meeting called to order: 1/11/2024, 7:15pm

Fr. Ken opened with prayer

Faith Formation

First Reconciliation Retreat - 12/18

This weekend (1/14) we have First Reconciliation

Second-Year Confirmation retreat for those about to receive Confirmation

That Man is You starts next week, 1/18

First Communion parents' workshop - 1/29

Discuss the book, *Jesus and the Jewish roots of the Eucharist*

Parents only

RCIA

Similar discussion on the book, *Jesus and the Jewish roots of the Eucharist*

Adoration and confession for RE kids - 1/24

Women's Bible Study - no date for the next session, but some time in February

Randy's Bible Study - currently halfway through the program

Knights of Columbus Update

Planning three fish fries during Lent

Free-throw contest

Many submissions for Keeping Christ in Christmas

Welcome Committee

5 new families in 11/2024

6 new in 12/2024

95 new families in 2023, 224 new family members

How to get new families involved at the time of joining?

Patrick and Audrey - Might explore bimonthly potlucks for new parishioners

Fr. Ken is continuing to hand write letters for new families

Name tag at a Mass per month?

Challenge - getting name tags for everyone, trash/cleanup

Social Concerns

Tithe of the tithe

\$2,000 to St. Martin de Porres

\$2,250 to Meals from the Heartland
\$800 to DMARC
\$997.49 to Catholic Charities
Winter apparel collection went well

Liturgy

Attendance at Christmas
1,100 at 4pm Masses
350 at 6pm Mass
125 at Midnight
350 Christmas morning
Epiphany
Home blessing kits
Ash Wednesday - February 14th
Palm Sunday - March 24th
Easter - March 31st
Corpus Christi Procession - June

Finance

Parish side doing well - working on budget
Large donations
Paid off rectory loan
Future Phase Fund
Year end contributions
Might need to dip into some savings for church HVAC
State of the parish in Feb/Mar
Capital Campaign - 2025
\$4.5mm for classrooms to eliminate portable classrooms
ready for school year 2026-2027
Oxtoberfest funds for awning - \$17,500 for quote
Lights for the confessional
Hard to find confessional lights

School

Regionalization
For Dowling and DM-area schools
Slowed down for the year, per the Bishop
Administrators met to talk about the region
Plan was for the test schools before rolling out to an additional nine
diocesan schools
Tuition modeling and salary sent back to individual parishes and not the
region
Registration for the 2024-2025 year is ongoing
350+ students registered for the next year

6 kids

ESA is not driving much of our growth or enrollment; < 20 kids

Send candidates for Middle School language arts teachers to Misty and/or

Sara

Website for the school is under construction

Looking to revamp website

user experience and design

more welcoming look

Next meeting: 02/08/2024

Fr. Ryan closed with prayer

Meeting adjourned: 7:50pm