**Our Lady of Peace Parish Finance Council Meeting –**

**May 9, 2023**

**9:30 am Library Meeting**

ATTENDEES: Dave Bertram, Mike Clark, Bill Lucas, Bill Chromizky, Kellie Moore -Business Manager, Absent Sandra Sobotka and Fr. Mark Baron (Marian Fathers elections)

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**Minutes**

The March minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Parish Business**

**1 -Sunday Offertory YTD**

The Sunday offertory actual vs budget for FY 22-23 was reviewed. Through the end of week 44 the offertory is at a budget surplus of $16,776. . The 22-23 weekly budget is $18,000. The number of parishioners using the online donation service has increased to 425. An analysis of loose cash from 2021 through current was reviewed by the council.

**2 – Parish Budgets**

The 2023-24 parish budgets were reviewed prior and discussed. The council approved the budgets for submission pending Fr Marks approval.

3 **– Parish Center – Capital Campaign**

The recommendations from the Buildings Committee dated 4-27-23 were reviewed and discussed. The campaign team, all council members and key parishioners will meet on May 22nd to discuss the campaign and hear the presentation of the architects and fundraising vendor. The timeline to begin the silent phase of the campaign is June 2023. The official bid process should begin in July/August of 2023.

**4 – Planned Giving**

New communications were created for both planned giving and stock donations for the bulletin, new website, and social media.

**5– Facilities**

* **Stained Glass Windows -** A bid was secured for both repair and replacement of the stained-glass window that is leaking in the church. We have consulted the Diocese on this repair.
* **Masonry Proposal –** The bid was reviewed and approved for scheduling in June/July of 2023. The work performed will be on the exterior of the church building.
* **Parking Lot sealcoating –** The resurfacing/sealing of the parking lot was discussed, and it was decided to hold off until after the parish center construction is complete.

**6 – Religious Education**

The 2023-24 Religious Education tuition and fees were discussed, and it was approved that there would be no increase to the tuition or fees for the upcoming school year. Tuition will remain at $150.00 per student and first communion and confirmation fees will remain at $100.00 per student. Tuition assistance will continue to be awarded to families using the parish tuition assistance application and process.

**7 – Pastors Report**

**Eucharistic Miracles** – Approximately 300 guests attended the exhibition in our parish gym. There was no cost to the parish for this event.

**Music Ministry** – Fr Mark will continue to oversee the music ministry and secure qualified and talented musicians.

**Youth ministry** – Fr. Mark will be taking a group of students to the Steubenville Youth Conference June 23-25, 2023. The cost is $100.00 per student, and he will solicit donations from the parish to offset the total cost of $400.00 per student.

**Financial & Other Reports**

**CMAA – The 2023 CMAA report was reviewed.**

The meeting closed at 11:30 am

**Next Finance Council Meeting – June 21, 9:30 am**