



**ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH  
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**

**Members Present:**

Rev. Gabriel Baltés, OSB  
Mike Budd  
Andrew Hackley  
Mary Beth Kerner  
Mathew Klody  
Tom Kmiecik

Mary Agnes Laguatan  
Bob Miller  
Dan O'Connor  
Andrea Uribe  
Leanne Van Gronigen  
Matt Zurek

**Absent:**

Maureen Cunningham  
Dave Mankowski  
Mary Beth Sobolewski  
Tracy Szalek  
Dick Webb

**Guests:**

Kim Clements  
Sarah Schmall of CCS Fundraising  
SJA Finance Council

**I. OPENING**

The Meeting was held in Room 22 of the Parish Center and began at 7:04 p.m. with an opening prayer.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

June minutes were approved by Mat Klody and seconded by Bob Miller.

**III. PASTOR'S ADDRESS**

**Church Renovation**

Fr. Gabriel explained that he asked the Finance Council to be present for tonight's meeting as we discuss the needed repairs and possible enhancements for the church interior. Father then reviewed the items we wish to address in this project, which we are calling "Renewed in Space and Spirit." The liturgical designer, Ken Brooks, estimates the project will cost \$2.5 million. Father would like the work to be done in time for our parish centennial in 2024.

Father encouraged all to attend two presentations that he will offer later this month. The first session is a brief history of sacred space as it has been envisioned and constructed throughout the history of the Catholic Church. The second session will be focused on the needed repairs and possible enhancements for the church.

Father then introduced Sarah Schmall of CCS Fundraising, who, with the unanimous approval of the Finance Council, we have hired to conduct a feasibility study to determine if this is a favorable time to begin a capital campaign. Sarah explained that if it is not the right time, CCS will provide guidance on how to move in the direction of a viable campaign.

Sarah explained that this study will gather insights, meaningfully engage and steward the congregation, and inform strategies needed to conduct a successful campaign effort. Sarah explained that CCS will need guidance from the Council to prepare a survey that will result in the most meaningful feedback from the parishioners. The study will take place over a three-week timeline, and CCS would like to begin in October. The total professional fee to CCS is \$22,500.

### **Questionnaire on Active Parishioners**

Fr. Gabriel distributed a questionnaire to the Pastoral Council members regarding the minimal requirements for a person to be considered an active member of the parish. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

## **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be on Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in Parish Center Room 22.

## **VI. CLOSING**

The meeting ended at 8:32 p.m. Closing prayer was the Salve Regina.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Beth Kerner  
Recording Secretary