

Our Lady of the Lake
Pastoral Council

<u>Council Members</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Father Bill Lucas	Yes
Mary Burns	No
Britton Falkner	Yes
Bernie Funderburg	Yes
Debbie Gossett	Yes
Leslie Hutto	No
Cristy McKinney	No
Jeff Reach	Yes
Brenda Rochford	Yes
Allen Ross	Yes

The meeting was opened in prayer by Jeff Reach. The February 2023 Minutes were read and approved.

Building Committee-Fr. Bill

-A meeting with the architect and contractor took place on February 21st for the Columbarium. The niches are being manufactured currently and should arrive in August. Site preparation will begin in the middle of May. Because this is an outdoor project weather will determine the schedule.

Finance Council-Fr. Bill

-The Council met on Monday, February 20th. There was no quorum so nothing could be approved.

-The Parish is operating in the black. Income is above budget and expenses are below budget.

-There is enough in the Building and Columbarium Funds to construct the columbarium with having to borrow money.

-Depreciable items are now being depreciated according to Diocesan Guidelines. Once we reach an accurate figure, the depreciation will take place annually instead of Monthly.

-The Council will meet again Monday, March 20th.

Knights of Columbus-Bernie Funderburg

- Fish Fries are going well.
- There were 13 at the last prayer service. It was cold though so that may be why.
- Next meeting will be in 2 weeks.

Latino Committee-Fr. Bill

- The committee will start going back to meeting in people's homes with the Pilgrim Virgin.

Liturgy Committee-Fr. Bill

- The Committee met on February 23rd.
- Charmaine agreed to provide music for the Penance Service on March 29th.
- The Chrism Mass will take place on Tuesday, April 4th at 11:00am at the Cathedral.
- Four RCIA candidates will be received into the Church at the 11:15am Mass on Easter Sunday. Because we have no Catechumens, there will be no initiations at the Easter Vigil.
- First Communion will be held for our Parish on Sunday, May 7th at 11:45am Mass.
- Confirmation for those baptized Catholic with Bishop Raica will be Saturday, May 20th at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church in Anniston.
- The committee went over the order of liturgies for Holy Week.
- Stephen Reese is resigning as trainer for altar servers. Deacon Lee has agreed to replace him.
- More Ministers of Holy Communion are needed for the 11:15 Mass.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 16th.

Maintenance-Fr. Bill

- The freezer in the parish hall failed and had to be replaced. The cost was around \$900.00.
- The south section of the parking lot had deteriorated. The holes were plugged and paved over. The cost was \$8,700.00.
- Both of these projects were paid for from available operating funds.

Religious Education-Fr. Bill

- The Living Stations will take place on Palm Sunday at 8pm.

Old Business

- Leslie has the Mary statue but she is fixing her face. The Knights of Columbus need to make the base to put the statue on.
- The fence around the trash dumpster is still being looked into by Bernie.

New Business

- New Council Member Selection- Per the bylaws Britton will be rolling off the pastoral council at the end of his term and we will need to find a replacement member. Both Brenda and Cristy also end their terms but are eligible for an additional term of service should they wish to continue to do so. Brenda has agreed to do another term.
- We need to form a committee to rank possible new members.
- Each Pastoral Council member was asked to come to the next meeting with 3 possible people who would want to be on the Council to replace Britton and Cristy.
- Martha Hayes talked to the council about Medicaid Expansion. Alabama is one of 11 states who have not passed this. Father will put something in the bulletin again who we can contact to help push this through.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 19th.

Next meeting Opening Prayer will be Allen Ross

Closing Prayer-Fr. Bill