

**St. Stanislaus Church  
Parish Council Minutes  
March 18, 2025**

Monsignor David Cox called the meeting to order and led the council with an opening prayer.

**Council Members Present:** Eric Jaegers, Tim Hagenhoff, Betty Kever, Emily Bailey, Pam Stonner, Emily Mantle, Missy Wilbers, Pat Mingucci, and Sue Rackers **Special guest:** Tina Forbis, St. Stanislaus School Principal,

**Minutes:** The minutes from January 21, 2025, were approved by all.

**Parish Update:** Monsignor shared the following items:

- Confirmation went well, and Bishop McKnight was complimentary of the candidates and the preparedness of the parish.
- St. Stanislaus students will host a healing mass on March 19<sup>th</sup> to include Anointing of the Sick, brunch, and a program by the students.
- Parish penance service to be held on Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.
- A program for priests was held on Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Monsignor presented along with other priests from the diocese.
- Monsignor discussed vocations with the St. Stanislaus students, offered benediction, and handed out vocation cards provided by the Vocation Committee.

**Parish Revitalization Plan:** Pat Mingucci provided an update on the Parish Vitalization Plan. Initial focus will be on the following goals:

- *Goal 2: Develop and implement a comprehensive communication plan that effectively reaches all demographics within the parish community.* There's a plan to develop and implement a communication plan to reach all demographics within our community. This includes updating the current database and identifying the preferred communication method of parishioners. The team is researching other database options to enhance messaging.
- *Goal 4: Enhance the spirituality of parish members by offering a variety of programs, resources, and activities that encourage deeper faith formation and spiritual growth.* The team plans to hold a welcome weekend for men prior to 12/31/2025. A women's weekend was attempted earlier in the year but was cancelled.
- *Goal 7: Position our parish as a hub for charity and mercy by participating in community outreach programs.* The team is looking for someone to plan events for community assistance such as Samaritan Center and Salvation Army. The goal is to use St. Stanislaus resources to complete work or needed projects. Emily Mantle volunteered to explore this opportunity.

**Parish Facility Maintenance:**

- Concerns were raised about flickering lights in church, and members are inquiring with parishioners with electrical experience to investigate.
- White rock was recently delivered.
- Brad Copeland from the Jefferson City Diocese is anticipated to conduct a walk-through the week of March 24<sup>th</sup>.
- The council is inquiring on bids for re-doing the kneelers in church in response to complaints of discomfort when using them.

**St. Stanislaus School News:** Mrs. Forbis provided a brief school update.

- An unexpected fire drill occurred, and students and staff responded well. The reason for the alarms going off is not yet known, but it is believed the new system will remedy these types of situations.

- May 7<sup>th</sup>: 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation takes place at 6:30 p.m.
- May 4<sup>th</sup>: first communion takes place at 2:00 p.m.
- The majority of families have turned in paperwork for the 2025-2026 school year, but 12 families are still outstanding.

There was brief discussion around hall rental. Missy Wilbers reported on the potential of installing a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) at the crosswalk. She inquired with Bartlett & West, Meyer Electric and MoDOT to determine cost and process. The bid showed an estimate of \$25,129 to complete the work. The council discussed cost and need and will revisit at the next meeting.

Reminders were given on upcoming events of the Knights of Columbus fish fry on March 21<sup>st</sup> and the open house on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Upcoming Meeting:** The next normally scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Monsignor Cox led the council with a closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Rackers