Saint Cletus Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 18th, 2025

In attendance: Carol Callahan, Sherry Knoblauch, Chrissy Poulter, Celia Stolen, Mary Jane Young, Jan Dubray, Valerie Heien, Angie Degooyer, Mike Boschert, Maggi Rimel, Becky Williamson.

Prayer: Members of the council shared what they are thankful for and prayer requests.

Minutes: Minutes from the March 2025 meeting were approved.

New Business:

- Giving Day Details were provided by Becky Williamson. Current totals are at a little over $81,000. The BBQ was lightly attended. She suggested for the next Giving Day that Parish Hall is not needed all day. The office provided enough space for the event. Many checks were dropped off at the BBQ. Personal phone calls make a big business. Angie expressed concern that Giving Day every year may not be a good idea. Becky also voiced that many people gave a large sum for the 2024 giving day because they did not believe it was going to be a once a year event. Maggi also mentioned that support for the Gala and giving day were low due to being close together. The day of service was successful and well attended.

Old Business:

- All ministry meeting. The attendance was light. Chrissy mentioned that due to communication improving parish-wide that two meetings throughout the year may not be necessary. Mike discussed that maybe there is just a February meeting and then a potential second meeting for those interested in spearheading the clear path model. It was the general consensus that the August all ministry meeting should be put on hold. The February meeting is on the St. Cletus calendar for February 28th. Becky suggested having the all-ministry meeting after 4:00 Mass. Dinner and meeting in parish hall.
- Parish Council bylaws discussion tabled
- Memorial garden update. Everything is done and is being delivered on Friday. St. Joseph the worker, repainted Mary and a new Grotto.
- Parish picnic update. The parish raised over $31,000. Next year's picnic is Friday May 15th and Saturday May 16th. The money goes into parish operations.
- Mike provided a short synopsis of Maggi's slides for the Clear Path Model. We all need to finish reading the book and digest the slides before the July meeting. Angie asked if parish council was in charge of the clear path model. Father Chris believes we should have a sub-committee of the parish council. Also, we should invite a few members from the parish. Mike also suggested that we need to revise the mission. Maggi stated that the new logo and labeling all has "welcoming Christ in the face of others." Mike then suggested changing the vision instead of the mission. Send tagline ideas to Maggi or bring some ideas to the July meeting. Strategic planning part of the clear path model will be led by Maggi.

Director of Parish Operations Manager Update: Maggi shared an article for the PC members to read.

Pastor's Time:

- Father Chris discussed changes to the picnic. Some suggestions were to have food trucks on Friday. Becky mentioned that PTO is burnt out from running the food booth. With the picnic being on a Friday night, the school parents cannot take a day off. She would like to have more ministries involved in the picnic.
- Father Chris has been working on how to "funnel" people into ministries when they join the Parish. He has found the best way is through small faith communities. Father Chris is still working on the details for this. He is thinking once a month, starting in fall. He will coordinate with Jan, who has experience with coordinating small groups.
- Father Chris is putting more quiet time into the Mass. Parish Council members have enjoyed it.

Closing Comments:

- The next meeting is July 16th, from 7-9pm. It will be a regular meeting.

Closing Prayer: provided by Becky