

St. Mary's Parish Council  
February 21, 2019

**Roll Call:**

Fr John Spiegel, Samantha Ridder, Debbie Blunt, Susan Knox, Tyler Stuerman, Shanna Smith, Heidi Stefanc, Margaret Rand and Jason Loner were present. Tiffany Snakenberg and Donna Tylkowski were excused. Roxane Schultz was absent. Dave Polkowski was present from the Finance Committee.

**Opening Prayer:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Fr John

**Motion to Approve November minutes:**

Susan Knox motioned to approve, Shanna Smith seconded the motion

**Parish Concerns:**

- Father mentioned that the City has a water main break and it has taken out some of the parking on the east side of the church

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance Council: Dave Polkowski reported**

- Want to inform parishioners of a bank debit program that is available for weekly offerings
- ADA 129.8% over goal; 93.4% payment is made
- Envelopes close to last year, offertory is behind = showing a loss, income over expenses is \$13,500
- Many expenses that need to be taken care – Church roof, tuck pointing, moisture in the church walls, boilers, window in reconciliation room

**Faith Formation: Samantha Ridder reported**

See attached minutes

**Liturgy: Shanna Smith reported:**

See attached minutes

**Church & Family Life: Debbie Blunt reported:**

See attached minutes

**Social Peace/Justice: Maggie Rand/Debbie Blunt**

Margaret Rand mentioned that she bought Christmas wrapping paper to be used to wrap presents next year for the Giving Tree. Last year people brought their own wrapping paper.

- EOMM meals - February 25-27 at St Mary's
- Love Inc meal for Growing Hope Program @ First Christian Church February 28 @ 5:30 pm

**Buildings and Grounds: Tyler Stuerman reported:**

- See attached report

**Old Business:**

- **Update on Vision 20/20** – Each church was asked to evaluate the depth of faith within their parish and family. Regional Listening Session will be held in Pella on March 3 @ 2:00 pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Need 6 delegates for Diocesan Convocation at St Ambrose University in Davenport on June 6-8. The delegates will be– Fr John, Madonna Bowie, Samantha Ridder, Susan Knox, Joann Schefers and Steve Phillips. Youth delegate will be Gareth Stefanc.
- **New Diocesan vocation ministry** and part that parishes are to play in this endeavor – there was a session held in Iowa City but Father John was unable to attend. Once more information is received, it will relayed to the Council.

**New Business:**

**Stewardship Commission** – Susan Knox is working on this as part of her MFP field experience. A survey was sent out to the commissions and Susan Knox and Samantha Ridder have created a pamphlet with all the information. It defines what each commission does so as to inform parishioners. If a parishioner identifies something that they have time or talent in, and would be interested in volunteering or helping, they will know who to contact.

**Dave Polkowski mentioned that the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a fish supper at Hy-Vee during Lent. They will be held on Friday nights and on Ash Wednesday. The Knights will receive a \$1/plate for each cod and catfish meal that is sold.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm with prayer given by Fr John

Next meeting will be March 21 at Parish Center @ 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Debbie Blunt

Parish Council Secretary

## **February Faith Formation Report - Parish Council**

**NCYC** - We have 17 youth, and 4 adult chaperones registered at this point.

**Children's Liturgy** - The Children's Choir sang for the second time on January 27th. Jenny Feudner and Kate Hite are working with the group. Next year we have some ideas to help improve the Children's choir, but we are happy with what was accomplished this year. The Praise Band had to cancel Feb. 17 due to snow. They are looking to reschedule after Easter. Skyla Phillips who is a big part of Praise Band is a senior this year. So next year they will be looking for a guitar player as well as additional signers. If you know of any musically inclined students, I would ask them if they are interested in joining the Praise Band.

**Family Days** - Faith Formation has continued with our Family Days. In February we covered Safe Environment with our parents while the students covered their lesson. Only six parents came. The commission wants to move forward with these events as we feel it is important for parents to be involved in their child's faith formation. However, we are extending a special initiation to all members of the parish to join us on these mornings. If parents are unable to make it, hopefully, other parishioners can step in and show our students the importance of ongoing faith formation.

You are all invited to our upcoming Faith Formation Family Days -

March 3 - We will be preparing for Lent by learning about the Life and Dignity of the Human Person through the CRS Rice Bowl.

April 7th - Our middle school students will be leading living stations of the Cross.

**The Sweet Sunday Social** - This event was a success raising \$1,954 for our Faith Formation Family Days. We had over 65 people come out despite the morning snow. Next year the event will be held on Sunday, February 23rd from 2-4pm.

**Calendar** - The Faith Formation and Lenten calendars will be in the bulletin this coming weekend. Please note Fr. John will be offering a Lenten Scripture study after the 5 pm Mass on the Gospel of Luke. I will also be offering adult formation Wednesday, March 20th on the Shroud of Turin.

**2019 Scholarship Applications** - Applications have been sent to all of our seniors and are due back by April 1st.

### **Summer Program Schedule -**

Totus Tuus - June 15-20, 2019

Grade School - Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm SMP

Middle/High School - Sunday-Thursday, 7-9pm SMO

Catholics In Action, Davenport

July 8-11, 2019

One Bread, One Cup, Conception, MO

July 15-19, 2019

Sacraments Camp, Oskaloosa

July 29 - Aug. 2, 2019

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**Vision 20/20 Priest meeting was hosted in Oskaloosa February 8.**

**March 6—Ash Wednesday—7 AM and 6 PM Mass at SMO.  
12:15PM Mass and 6 PM Word Service/ashes SMP. We will have  
the Word Service next year as Ash Wednesday is not a Holy day  
of Obligation. There will be ash distribution to Nursing Home and  
Homebound.**

**Stations of Cross will be March 8, March 22 and April 5, SMO 5:30  
Mass will be March 15, March 29 and April 12, SMO 5:30  
These will be in reverse order at SMP.**

**Chrism Mass is April 15 at <sup>3:00</sup>~~2:30~~ PM in Davenport.**

**Holy Thursday—April 18—7 PM SMO**

**Good Friday—April 19—3 PM SMO and 7 PM SMP**

**Holy Saturday Vigil—8:30 PM SMP**

**Easter—8 AM and 5 PM SMO and 10:30 AM SMP**

**Communal Penance March 23, 10:30 AM SMO  
March 24, 2 PM SMP**

**Scripture Study March 10,17, 24, 31 and April 7—6:30 PM SMO  
March 9, 16, 23,30, April 6—8:30 AM SMP**

**Regional 20/20 Vision Meeting for representatives March 3 at 2  
PM in Pella and June 6-8 in Davenport.**

# Churchily Life Minutes

## February 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:00. Present were Kelly and Debbie Blunt, Mark and Mary Jane Sullivan and Art and Marianne Cline, Heidi Stefanc and Jane Playle.

**Advent by Candlelight** Debbie gave a brief recap of the event; another successful evening.

**Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?** Mary Jane said we had 19 participants this time. Our hosts were the Bucemas, the Vogts and the McFaddens. The date had to be changed from January 19 to January 26 because of the weather. We decided that twice a year might be too often to hold this event, and perhaps summer would be better than winter. We have selected June ~~23~~ as our next date. **Madonna has added this event to the parish calendar.** 22

**Soup Supper** Art, with his helpers, will make cheesy broccoli soup and tomato basil soup. Art will do the shopping for ingredients, crackers. Each member of Churchily Life is asked to make 2 dozen cookies or 1 dozen brownies to serve as dessert. Susan was not in attendance, so we don't know about the foil bags she mentioned at the last meeting. Helpers will report to the Parish Center at about 4:00 on the afternoon of March 6. **Evening Mass is at 6:00.**

**RCIA Reception** Easter this year is April 21, and Holy Saturday Mass will be in Pella. We will have a reception for Lynn and Monica Harter (the only folks coming into the Church at that Mass) on Sunday, April 28 after 8:00 a.m. Mass. We will have breakfast foods, coffee and juice. Marianne will make muffins that spell out "Welcome Lynn & Monica". **Madonna has added this event to the parish calendar.**

**Parish Picnic** We have decide on the date for the Parish Picnic – August 28. **Madonna has added this event to the parish calendar.**

**2019-2020 Budget** Using last year's budget as a guide but adding funeral dinners (evidently, they are part of our budget now), we came up with a budget of \$11,200 (\$7000 of which is for funeral dinners). We will adjust this budget after the Soup Supper has been paid for, so we can determine the actual cost of that meal and be as precise as possible in our budget request.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35. Our next meeting will be sometime in early April, 2019, date to be determined later.

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From:  Larry Ingamells <laryi4cy@gmail.com> Wednesday, February 20, 2019 8:44:27 PM 

Subject: Buildings and Grounds

To:  **Debbie Blunt**

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Debbie - please note the change of email address for me.

The stain glass windows in the choir loft have been worked on however a leak was detected and the company will be coming back to repair.

Finance council has approved the repairs to the church roof.

Also getting quotes for tuckpointing repair to the exterior of the church walls.



# 2019 Lenten Schedule

## **Ash Wednesday, March 6th**

7am Mass, SMO  
12:15 Mass, SMP  
6pm Word Service with Ashes, SMP  
6pm Mass, SMO - Soup Supper to Follow in Parish Center

## **Week Day Masses St. Mary, Oskaloosa**

7am Tuesday  
8am Wednesday  
Thursday - See Bulletin or online calendar for schedule

## **Stations of the Cross/Mass Schedule, SMO**

**Friday, March 8** 5:30pm Stations of the Cross  
**Friday, March 15** 5:30pm Mass  
**Friday, March 22** 5:30pm Stations of the Cross  
**Friday, March 29** 5:30pm Mass  
**Friday, April 5** 5:30 Stations of the Cross  
**Friday, April 12** 5:30pm Mass

## **Week Day Masses St. Mary, Pella**

8:30am Tuesday & 12:15pm Wednesday

## **Sunday Mass Schedule**

5pm Saturday, SMP  
8am Sunday, SMO  
10:30am Sunday, SMP  
5pm Sunday, SMO

## **Sacrament of Penance**

10:30-11:30 Saturday, SMO  
4-4:30pm/after 5pm Mass Saturday until all are served

## **Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday, March 23, 10:30am SMO  
Sunday, March 24, 2pm SMP

## **Scripture Study**

### **The Gospel of Luke an Introduction**

Saturday, March 9, 8:30am SMP  
Sunday, March 10, 6:30pm SMO

### **The Passion According to Luke**

Saturday, March 16, 8:30am SMP  
Sunday, March 17, 6:30pm SMO

### **The Resurrection in Luke**

Saturday, March 23, 8:30am SMP  
Sunday, March 24, 6:30pm SMO

### **Pentecost in Luke-Acts**

Saturday, March 30, 8:30am SMP  
Sunday, March 31, 6:30pm SMO

### **The Church in Luke-Acts**

Saturday, April 6, 8:30am SMP  
Sunday, April 7, 6:30pm SMO

## **Adult Formation**

### **The Shroud of Turin**

Wednesday, March 20, 6:30pm SMO

### **Diocesan Men's Retreat**

Saturday, April 6, 9am-3pm, Solon

### **Diocesan Women's Retreat**

Saturday, April 13, 9am-3pm, Williamsburg

# 2019 Lenten Schedule

**Fasting:** All Catholic age 18 through 59 are called to Fast on Ash Wednesday (3-6) and Good Friday (4-19). One full meal and two part meals may be taken and no food is to be taken between meals. Water, fruit juices and other beverages may be taken at any time\*

**Abstinence:** All Catholics 14 years and older are called to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday\*

\* One is dispensed from fast and abstinence for reasons of health or demand of labor and are encouraged to practice some other act of penance and self denial suitable to their circumstances. To ignore the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious matter.

**Almsgiving:** Collection for the Churches of Eastern Europe—Ash Wednesday  
Collection for the Franciscan Missions of the Holy Land—Good Friday  
Donations together charities of personal selection.

## Holy Week & Easter

**Chrism Mass**  
**April 15, 2018**

3pm Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 422-E. 10th Street, Davenport

**Holy Thursday**  
**April 18, 2019**

7pm The Mass of the Lord's Supper, SMO

**Good Friday**  
**April 19, 2019**

3pm Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, SMO  
7pm Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, SMP

**Holy Saturday**  
**April 20, 2019**

8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass, SMP  
(No 5pm Vigil Mass of Sunday, SMP)

**Easter Sunday**  
**April 21, 2019**

8am Mass, SMO  
10:30am Mass, SMP  
5pm Mass, SMO

SMO - St. Mary, Oskaloosa, 315 1st Ave. East, Oskaloosa / SMP - St. Mary, Pella, 726 218th Pl., Pella