

Holy Family Finance Council minutes

June 25, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Gineris at 5:30 p.m. in the Holy Family North Conference Room.

Attendance: Very Rev. Fr. Ryan Pruess, Holy Family Director of Finance and Human Resources Ellen Kant, Chairman Steve Gineris, new trustee Jeff Fellers, and members at large Louie Paynter, Laurie Schlosser, Steve Hess and Dave Reilly. Absent: Harry Schneider, Paul Graham and Dave Kusek.

Opening Prayer: Summer Blessing: A Prayer of Gratitude was read by the group.

Approval of minutes: May 21, 2025 minutes were approved (Gineris/Hess)

Additions to agenda—none

New trustee Jeff Fellers introduced himself. He is married with four children—all attended St. Mary's Springs Academy. He retired in December 2024 after a career in electrical engineering and is eager to serve as trustee.

Financials:

- Spring raffle made over \$7,000
- Gala through end of May was \$60,592 (\$27,937 in 2024) Auction successfully moved to online platform. Sponsored tables did very well. Pledge cards "made the whole gala."
- Budget was submitted to the Archdiocese and approved without question. (A new reporting format was introduced this year that allows a consist way to look at all parish budgets.)
- Year-end gifts were approved for staff (priests are not included as their salaries are set by the Archdiocese). Cost estimated to be less than \$20,000.
- Employee Retention Tax Credit (grant applied for by Ellen Kant) was received in the amount of \$70,890.

Parish updates:

- St. Mary's air condition is up and running. (Five of six H.F. sites now have air.)
- Trees removed at the rectory, mainly dead ash, at a cost of \$20,000
- Capelle Bros. & Diedrich was starting today on bathroom updates as part of the extensive Sacred Heart remodeling project. Church lighting was ordered but has a 14-16-week delivery, so it will be tight on the construction schedule. Numerous

small contractors are being managed by general contractor Studio IO and by Fr. Ryan Pruess, Michelle Ludtke and Tom Groeschel, representing Holy Family Catholic Community.

- Holy Family Warming Shelter closed for summer on April 30. It is set to re-open on Nov. 1 for up to 36 overnight guests who are Fond du Lac County residents. Restricted fund balance on May 31 was \$432,473.

Save the dates: Staff/council/commission summer gathering is 5 p.m. July 23 at the Rectory; and 25th Anniversary Celebration is the weekend of Aug. 15-17.

Next meeting: Sept. 17, 2025 (no meeting in July or August)

Meeting adjourned: 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by Laurie Schlosser