

Finance Council Minutes
February 24, 2026

Members present – Father Kevin Keith Detmer Dan Hellrung Jim Sagovac, Kim Schoerner, Amanda Dotzert, Karen Simpson

Members absent – Tim Poletti, Jessica Moore, Betsy Weinel

1. Father opened the meeting with prayer.
2. Motion made by Kim and seconded by Jim to approve January meeting minutes.
3. Keith will email the Finance Council minutes to Mark Neuman at neum@charter.net so that they will be posted on the St. Jerome website.
4. Permission has been received from the Diocese to proceed with the Centennial Campaign. The Diocese needed some additional paperwork in order to give the final approval.
5. Amanda has sent the insurance information to the Diocese for the company that is going to repair the skylight. We are waiting for approval.
6. Amanda will send the letters requesting approval for the tuckpointing and roof on Friday. Any projects totaling more than \$20,000 must be approved by the Diocese.
7. A check in the amount of \$5,960.13 has been sent to Ceiling Pro for downpayment to repair the ceiling in St. Joseph Hall.
8. A follow up letter regarding the Centennial Campaign has been sent to all parishioners from OSV.
9. The handicapped toilet has been replaced in the narthex bathroom.
10. The salary adjustment has been completed with Brenda Neuman. Father and Brenda will meet every Wednesday. Brenda has moved into the office previously used by Sister Linda Mary.
11. Amanda is going to talk with Rachel Langdon regarding a Foundation Savings account. More info to come.
12. Campaign updates from Jim:
 - a. Letters will be submitted to the Diocese regarding the roof, wall coverings and Warnecke
 - b. Ceiling Pro may start in March. Jim will meet with Lisa Jackson and Brenda Neuman regarding the work schedule
 - c. Dex Tree trimmers have trimmed the trees around the church for a cost of \$5000
 - d. Focal Point will come and dormant prune all bushes to 30 inches
 - e. The canopy will be replace over the office entrance
 - f. Carl Reibold will help with IT once the wi-fi has been updated
13. Paul Baumgartner is working on a grant that is available through the State of Illinois and FEMA.

14. A buzzer has been installed in the office so that Jodi can open the door from her desk.
15. The financial reports were reviewed. The offerings were down for the month but this may be partly due to the Centennial Campaign donations. The Campaign money is coming in routinely. No additions or corrections were made to the reports.
16. Under comments from parishioners – a discussion was held regarding charging for the sacraments and PFF. The council voted to no longer charge for either of these .
17. Kim reported that St. Ann's will take care of the altar servers vestments before Easter.
18. Father closed the meeting with prayer.

Notes submitted by Karen Simpson