



Welcome Committee Minutes
Prince of Peace Parish
March 06, 2025
6:30 p.m.

The POP Welcome Committee held their in-person meeting at POP church on Monday evening, March 06. Meeting attendees included: Deacon Jeff Prickette, Judy Garot, Karen Prevost, Teri Van Item and Phyllis John. Unable to attend were Mary Kay & Dennis Rukamp, Virginia & Michael Goral, Mary Thibodeau, Jerry & Linda Duchaine, Anne Kulhanek, and Rosella Hill.

The meeting was called to order by Phyllis John, Chair. Phyllis started meeting with a short prayer.

Main item for discussion was the option for new members joining the parish going forward in 2025. A survey was sent out to committee members via Flocknote prior to this meeting. The majority vote was that we dispense hosting the semi-annual dinner that was held in the past.

A suggestion was that we should consider handing out a \$25 Visa gift card from our parish Script program. Susan Rosek, Script Program coordinator, joined us at our meeting to explain how we could present the Script program to new members, as well as a printed handout packet.

The Welcome Committee will host coffee/donuts Sunday during the timeframe between August and April during the year. This event will be in conjunction with the assistance of the Social Committee. Volunteers are encouraged to assist with this event.

All future committee meetings and event dates will need to be reserved by contacting Parish Office Staff, at least six months in advance.

The Welcome Committee budget and calendar of events for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, were reviewed and approved as of March 6, 2025. A copy committee budget and calendar of events will be submitted to Office Staff, Kim Hermans, Diane Fidler and Marsha Loritz prior to the deadline date of April 1, 2025.

Committee discussed the welcome tent at future parish picnics. The decision was made that the Welcome Committee will no longer sponsor a tent at the picnic. There was very little interest shown at this tent. A suggestion was made that Welcome Committee members wear their name tag and take the opportunity to volunteer in other areas as needed. In 2024, committee volunteers also handed out flyers before and after the 10 a.m. Mass that refer to events taking place on the picnic grounds. We will continue to do this at the 2025 picnic.

A suggestion was made that the Welcome Committee sponsor a silent auction item at the 2026 Spring Auction.

Being no other business for discussion, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

Submitted by: *Phyllis John, Committee Chair*