

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes June 24, 2025

Present: Fr. Robert Barnell, Kate Brockman, Debbie White, Helen Walter, Dan Young, Karen O'Rourke,
Stephanie Storer, Patrick Parris, Mandy Goodwin, Aaron Thompson, Jordan Eblen

Absent: Jake Kerger, Victor Khannausa

Special Guest: Adrian Bates

Fr. Robert started the meeting at 6:32 p.m. with a prayer.

The March meeting minutes were approved. Going forward, all minutes will be approved via email to save time during the meetings.

Kate Brockman introduced Adrian Bates, who has chaired many events. Adrian explained what goes into chairing an event. She said that it looks like the Summer Festival may break the \$100,000 mark, but they are still waiting on the coin count. She talked about Sign-up Genius, and the struggle trying to get School Families and students to volunteer. She also said there needs to be someone available, preferably from the staff, for deliveries and set-ups during the week of the Summer Festival. She has set up guides for ordering food for the Summer Festival and Fish Frys. There needs to be a file or guide for events to make the job for the successor Event Chair easier. This would be passed down each time to make the events successful. Adrian will be working with Susan Simmons who will be next year's Summer Festival Chair.

Finance: Aaron Thompson presented next year's budget. The budget was approved after the meeting via e-mail by the Pastoral Council.

Pastor's Update: Fr. Robert reminded the Pastoral Council that on the weekend of July 19 and 20, the Bishop from Tanzania, along with Fr. John Judie, will be making a mission appeal for their needs in his Tanzania Dioceses.

Wednesday August 27 will be the potluck dinner for our volunteers. Father is looking for volunteers to make this possible.

Fr. Robert introduced the Parish Planning Process. This is done about every 20 years. More discussions will follow.

Stewardship & Communication: Patrick Parris reported there was a Catholic Charities Event on Immigration, which had 12 attendees, mostly parishioners. There was a request for more events of this nature. During the Summer Festival, we had a Catholic Resources Booth. It was an overall success.

Cloud of Witnesses is a testimony idea that is being tried. So far, there have been 2 responses. There is more communication going out in the bulletin asking parishioners if they have anything to share. Patrick is hoping for more storytelling of their encounters with God.

Towards the end of the year, Patrick reached out to all Ministry leaders to share their dates of major events for the coming year. There was a lot of participation and just a few conflicts that were addressed. The calendar planning allows for future communications going out in a timely manner and for events being spread out over the year.

School Board: Mandy Goodwin said the board last met in May. There is a new First Grade Teacher and Kindergarten Assistant. The Music Teacher position is filled. Enrollment for K-8 is 195 students for the incoming year, which is an increase of 10.

PTO: Jordan Eblen reported that Family Night and The End of the Year Tailgating Party was great. The used uniform sale had a great turnout. The Corn Hole Tournament will be on July 12, with the Golf Scramble in late July. The Back to School Event place and date is still to be determined.

Building & Grounds: Tony Forns reported via e-mail that all projects have been submitted to the Parish Office and Finance Committee. The concession stand project is underway and should be completed soon. They are hoping to have everything done before volleyball starts. School classroom projects are underway and will be completed before school starts. There are several roof leaks in the elementary wing of the school which need to be addressed immediately.

Athletics: Jose Vega reported via e-mail that the Pray and Play are going well. There are a lot of pictures posted showing a good attendance. Fall sports signup are underway.

Next meeting dates: August 19, September 30 (if needed), and November 18. All meetings start at 6:30,

Fr. Robert ended the meeting at 8:05 p.m. with prayers.