

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
June 5, 2025

The Parish Pastoral council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM in the CCC. Members present were Mary Bailey, Mary Luedke, Mike Orłowski, Jayne Boebel, Kari Selhofner and Fr. Aloysius. Members absent: Jeff Walker, Pete Pintans, Deacon Dave and Doug Duchac. Others present: Jan Huseby, Ann Jelinek, and Laura Reiter.

Fr. Aloysius began the meeting with a prayer.

The Mission Statement was read.

Introduction of Jason Nehring, our new School Janitor and Head of Maintenance.

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Mary L. made a motion to approve the minutes, Mary B. seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the minutes were approved.

Explanation of Parish Council Duties and Election of Officers: The new members of the council were introduced. Laura went through the bylaws with the council. The duties of the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary were explained. The election of these officers was postponed until the next meeting since some members were gone.

Staff reports:

Jan had the following updates to her report: The Corpus Christi Procession and Reception are planned but more volunteers (especially altar servers and eucharistic ministers) are needed to help out with the event.

Parish Nurse Report: Blood pressure numbers the same. AED's are up to date. The Prayer Shawl committee has received good feedback on the blankets given out. Our Sister's House has been occupied. OSH is looking for part-time staff. OSH is looking for a basket to raffle for the 3rd of July Raffle. Kari has a basket and the council thought that it could be announced to the congregation that gift cards and/or lottery tickets could be purchased for the basket. **UPDATE:** After the meeting, the staff reviewed this decision. The weekend the gift cards/lottery tickets were going to be solicited at Mass for OSH is the same weekend our Festival Family Baskets has an announcement and a plea to sponsor a basket. The staff felt this would be confusing for our parishioners, so the staff decided not to ask parishioners to donate to the OSH basket. If the parish council would like to do that on their own, that would be great.

Old Business:

1. Small Group update:

- a. Parish Evangelization Team (PET): No Report.
- b. Welcome Home: This report is included in the staff reports.
- c. Dick Huseby's book sharing: It is going well and will continue all summer.
- d. First Saturday Prayer Group: Fr. Aloysius said some people may want to adjust the date and/or time of the prayer group since having the prayer group meet after adoration makes for a long morning. The group will talk about this Saturday since it is the first Saturday.

- e. Jubilee year pilgrimage: Mary L. reported that the date has been set for Monday, Sept. 8th. Lamer's Bus will provide the transportation, which costs \$1900 plus a gratuity. 56 people can go on the bus. The tour of the shrine is \$30 for the group and there is a \$75 cafeteria usage fee. Julia will supply a sack lunch for the participants. The bus will need to leave the CCC by 7:30AM. Mass will be at 11AM and Fr. Aloysius can concelebrate. The bus will return around 5PM and Mary was thinking of also having a meal back at CCC at that time. We will need someone to talk about the Jubilee of Hope and the importance of the pilgrimage to our parish cluster. Some money will be used from the evangelization grant money to pay for this event and participants will also be asked to pay a fee. Flyers and videos about the shrine are available for promotion of the event.
 - f. Adult Education: Season 5 of "The Chosen" will be viewed and discussed starting on Wednesday, June 18 after Mass.
2. Parish council member volunteer to be on the MS Exploratory committee: Mike Orlowski has volunteered to be on the committee.

New Business:

1. Mass on the Grass July 13: Since the next parish council meeting will be held after this event, an email will go out to the PC members alerting them of the duties that need to be fulfilled for this event.
2. Parish Festival Booth July 25-26: It was discussed that an information booth be part of the tours of the church that are scheduled for this year's festival.

Other Business:

1. It was discussed that the agenda for the PC meeting be placed in the back of church on the Sunday before the meeting along with staff reports. Laura will write something up and have Tracy put it in the bulletin.
2. Jayne brought up that maybe St. Mary's might want to sponsor some food giveaway one week at Music on the River. Members were unsure if this was allowed by the Music on the River committee. Jayne will contact them and find out.
3. Kkwahamot ski show sponsorship: Last year St. Mary's was going to sponsor a ski show night. It was cancelled due to weather. Juanita will be asked to see if this is possible this year.
4. The parking lot was very crowded and busy after Easter and Memorial Day Masses. Parishioners for the 11AM Mass cannot enter the parking lot since the 9:30AM Mass is not yet concluded by the time they arrive. Some thoughts were to maybe have more Eucharistic Ministers, have the gifts brought up before the 1st collection, and/or having the parking lot be one-way. This only occurs during holidays, so the 4th of July weekend may be a problem. The church staff will discuss options for the 4th of July weekend 9:30AM Mass.

Mary L. said the closing prayer. Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mary L. seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

The next meeting will be held on July 17 in the CCC.

Minutes submitted by Laura Reiter