

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 - 6:30 PM

St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish Hall

Attendees: Gaby Andrea, Fr. James Belogi, Terri Bouchard, Christine Cioffi, Justine Crevatas, Bob DiCostanzo, Joan Duda, Debbie Fontes, Arthur Foo, Anna Hartz, Richard Leet, Fran Mitchell, Nancy Moscheo, Fr. Anthony Onu, Thomas Poznanski, Kathleen Riordan, Kelly Sloan, Joanne Tuchovsky, Christopher Wertman, Alyssa Sarrosa

Excused: Eleanor Bradley, Betsy Glasser, Teshia Gutchell, Nancy Lussier, Donna Simone, Julius Pasquariello, Joanne Russell, Gloria Towle-Hilt

The meeting was called to order by Gaby Andrea at 6:32 PM.

Opening prayer read by Gaby Andrea and all present.

1) Approval of Minutes

The September Council Meeting minutes were approved by Debbie Fontes with corrections and seconded by Anna Hartz. Motion carried.

2) Ministry Updates

Family promise (Anna)

- The host week in October has been cancelled as our family has graduated. Mother secured a job at Blessed Sacrament School.
- The next scheduled host week is November 30th.
- Returning back to Saint Nicholas celebration.

3) Old Business

Parish Picnic (anna)

- Attendees from SMS, OLQP, SGA and Saint Margaret's.
- A little over 90 people, which is slightly lower than last year's attendance.

New assessment updates (Father Jim)

- SMS \$12,378 total collected thus far to assessment of \$96,459.
- Remade for Mission is kicking into high gear.
- As of October we will be beginning work groups, each parish needs to identify people who will comprise the work group which will meet once a month.

- Meetings will take place on the 4th Tuesday of the month, with the exception of the November meeting which will be held on the third Tuesday due to thanksgiving.
- Work groups will be composed of 6 to 9 Parishioners.

Praying the Rosary (Deacon Tom)

- The first weekend of Praying the Rosary after each mass went great.
- It was well attended with 15-20 participants at each session.

4) New Business

- Nancy made a suggestion to pray Saint Michael the Archangel prayer after the masses.
- The prayer and worship team will discuss.

5) Community Events & Devotions

Diocesan Jubilee Gathering (Debbie Fontes)

- Took place on September 20th.
- Wonderful spiritual day, focused on growing the Catholic faith and Catholic mission.
- Keynote speaker, Father Frank, was a very powerful and engaging speaker.

6) Pastor's Comments (Fr. Jim)

- We are entering into a challenging time, however Father Jim will keep the council updated and get materials to us as soon as possible.

7) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Fran Mitchell seconded by Anna Hartz. Motion carried.

Next Council Meeting: Tuesday, November 4, 6:30 PM.

8) Closing Prayer

Read by Deacon Tom.

Meeting adjourned: 7:12 PM

**Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Wertman**