

Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

Date: November 10, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM – 8:20 PM

Location: Room 213

Executive Board

President: Dr. Daniel Ostergaard (not present)

Vice President: Florence De Guzman

Secretary: Dr. Sahad Khilqa

Pastor: Fr. Edward Fitzgerald

Members Present

Florence De Guzman; Sahad Khilqa; Beltina Balderas-Hernandez; Jess Benoza; Katiria “Katy” Garcia Santos; Denise Guzman (Sub); Maria Antonia Martinez; James Medlin; Frederick Miller; Ginny Riga; Rafal Wadee Anay; Sr. Christina Murphy, SNDdeN.

Members Absent

Dr. Daniel Ostergaard; Irell Hardy; George Issa Kabwe; Antony Joseph; Amalorpavanathan Yagulasamy.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Florence De Guzman.

Opening Prayer

Led by Sr. Christina Murphy, SNDdeN – Hail Mary in honor of Veterans Day.

Listening Phase

Public Forum

MORE Justice Update: Mr. Bill Miller reported coordination with Lexington County EMS regarding a woman residing on church property.

50th Church Anniversary: Mr. Bill Miller requested additional historical information from the Hispanic community. Eduardo Cea was suggested as an initial contact.

Heard Around the Church

Sound System: Issues noted during Hispanic Masses; improvements expected.

Church Bathrooms: Excessive paper is clogging the plumbing. A policy requiring young children to be accompanied by a parent is under consideration.

Our Lady of Guadalupe: Request to move the celebration to December 12; Fr. Ed is open pending coordination.

Parish Communications: Need identified for improved communication with Hispanic parishioners; liaisons were suggested.

St. Michael Prayer: Currently recited at weekday Masses; no plan to extend to weekend Masses.

Lenten Tenebrae Service: Request to include in Lent 2026; supported pending resources.

Young Adult Ministry: Donations may be made with a note specifying Young Adults; fundraisers and retreats are planned.

Business Phase

Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion to approve made by Mr. James Medlin and seconded by Deacon Gerard. The motion carried.

Ministry Reports

Council on Worship and Spirituality: Eduardo Cea was introduced as a new PPC member.

Finance Committee: No report.

Maintenance Committee: Renovation planning continues; contract expected mid-December, with construction anticipated after Easter.

Old Business

Safety and Compliance: 66 volunteers remain non-compliant; their non-compliant status will become inactive as of November 14, 2025.

New Business

Lector Training: Refresher session scheduled for November 15.

OCIA: Increased demand reported; additional class times available.

Pastor's Remarks

Saturday Vigil Mass time change under consideration; feedback requested.

Advent Communal Reconciliation times under review.

Next Meeting

January 5, 2026

Closing Prayer

Led by Fr. Edward Fitzgerald.