

Kaukauna Catholic Parishes Joint Parish Council

March 21, 2026 9:00

Joint Parish Center

Vision: Discover, Live and Share Jesus

Attendees:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Father Luke | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Meehl | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Miller |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom VanHeuklon | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anne Hameister | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kaitlyn Hill |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rick Vanderloop | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diane Baumgart | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Beilfus |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tony Bivona | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Poch | |

Notes

1. Opened with Prayer
2. Check in: What did you do during Snowstorm Elsa?
3. Agenda: no additions.
4. Minutes: No corrections.
5. Bishops's Invitation, Share Jesus and Reclaiming Sunday
 - a. Council members were encouraged to read "Sent on Mission: A Pastoral Invitation to Share Jesus With Others" from Bishop Ricken.
 - b. Discussion questions were shared; these will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - c. Suggestion: could we make an action list for parishioners, maybe refrigerator magnet?
6. Staffing Update
 - a. Posting opening for RE Coordinator. (Sue Zwiers is retiring at the end of June).
 - b. Posting another position for Parishioner Connector.
 - c. Deacon Randy will be taking on Wedding prep. role.
 - d. Jackie Wallace going down to 30 hours a week.
7. Financial Update.
 - a. Bishops appeal. HC has met its goal.
 - b. SKD is at about 83% of their goal.
 - c. Finances holding strong. Giving at each parish about \$40k ahead of last year.
8. Debrief on Parish Mission and Breakfast Bingo.
 - a. Parish Mission: fewer people than last year. 125 one night, including high school RE. 65 second night.
 - b. Bingo. Raffle baskets have been a big addition. \$5700 income between February and March events.
 - c. Attendance was a little lower than previously.
 - d. The Breakfast Bingo committee is thinking about doing it on a day other than PPE next year. Council members shared the opinion that the synergy with PPE is a good thing.
9. Facility Updates:
 - a. St. Francis
 - i. Quotes for expansion came in higher than expected, ~\$3.5M.
 - ii. Met with Brown County. Existing building already in county CE right of way. Proposed addition would extend 10 more feet.
 - b. Holy Cross
 - i. Bell tower really needs to be done this summer.
 - ii. Have applied for a proxy with the Diocese.
 - iii. ~\$400k already raised. Need to raise about \$680k more.
10. Upcoming Holy Week, First Communion and Confirmation
 - a. First Communion after Easter.

- b. End of April confirmation. Bishop is coming. Sunday afternoon.
- 11. Next meeting April 25. Plan for 90 minutes to allow for discussion of Bishop Ricken's Invitation.

Copies of minutes are available by request at the Parish Office.

Or view minutes online at: <https://www.kaukaunacatholicparishes.org/joint-parish-council-minutes>

Or scan below:

