



Saint Gabriel

CATHOLIC PARISH

PRAYER & WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 21, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES: Mike Gorichanaz, Maryrose Wolf, Katie Mancuso, Emily Gartzke, and Dan Swiatkowski were present. Ben Verhage, Joe Hauer, Carol Roltgen, and Arleen Mantel were excused.

OPENING PRAYER: Maryrose led us in an opening prayer.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: All present agreed that the May minutes be accepted. Minutes were accepted.

Nominations for Chairperson and Secretary: Mike G. and Katie M. offered to continue as the Chair and Secretary, respectively. All present approved these leadership positions.

Usher Report by Ben V. and Dan S.: Dan said they are working on ensuring there are enough volunteers for the 10:30 masses. All other masses have plenty of volunteers.

Pastoral Council Report by Arleen Mantel: Dan and Maryrose gave updates, as Arleen wasn't able to attend the meeting. The Stewardship Commission is recommending a volunteer blessing at all masses Jan 30-31. On Feb 5, there will be an all-parish open house and free spaghetti dinner; all commissions are asked to attend. The all-commission meeting will be held between masses on Feb 7. Donut Sunday is held on the 3rd Sunday of every month; P&W will host in January. Pastoral Council has asked each commission to provide goals that align with the "proclaim, form, live" mission. All present decided on the following goals for P&W:

Proclaim: We will be hosting the Mass of Remembrance again this year to minister to those who have lost a loved one and help them through their grief.

Form: We will provide "Little Blue Books" and "Little Black Books" for Advent and Lent to help "form" parishioners through prayer.

Live: We host many devotions – the Rosary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Eucharistic Adoration, First Friday devotion, Stations of the Cross, Divine Mercy Sunday, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy – to help parishioners live out their Christian Faith.

Environment report by Emily Gartzke: Decorations will be changed from Summer to Fall the week of Sept 28-Oct 2.

OLD BUSINESS:

Anointing Mass: Will be Saturday, October 3.



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Mass of Remembrance: Will be November 8 at the 8 AM mass. Maryrose will be sending out invitations soon. Angel ornaments and candles will be provided to each grieving family. The candles will be lit before Mass begins. Maryrose will talk with Carol Roltgen about reading the names of the deceased.

Jacob's Ladder: Maryrose will make plans with Arleen and make an announcement for the bulletin. Maryrose will check with the school to see if there are any plans for Veterans' Day.

Little Blue Books: The books have arrived; Dave will put them out.

Reconciliation: Will be Tuesday, Dec 1st. The same signage and handouts will be used as last year.

Pet Blessings: Will be Sunday, October 4th at Noon.

Worldwide Recitation of the Rosary: Will be Saturday, October 10th at Noon; a banner will be posted.

Maryrose asked everyone to look at the Advent calendar she sent via email and provide feedback.

Dan said he will be attending the Deanery meeting on October 19 at 6 PM.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Maryrose led us in a Hail Mary as the closing prayer.

ADJOURNED at 7:20 PM.

Next meeting – Monday, October 19, 2026 at 6:30 PM via Zoom. The Zoom link can be found on the P&W website: www.stgabrielhubertus.org/prayer-and-worship-commission

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Mancuso, Secretary

Copies to: Mike Gorichanaz, Maryrose Wolf, Emily Gartzke, Carol Roltgen, Katie Mancuso, Joe Hauer, Arleen Mantel, Ben Verhage, Dan Swiatkowski, Carol Weyker, Nikki Packee, Joan Weiss, and Fr. Tim Bickel