

**Blessed Trinity/St. John Evangelist  
Joint Pastoral Council Meeting Agenda  
February 17, 2026, 6:30 PM  
St. John's Parish Hall**

**Our Mission: *Working for the Salvation of Souls***

**Council Members Present:** Sarah Schueffner, Paul Garni, Terry Hartman, Nancy Mathieu, Mary Jo Schultz, Donna Stieghorst, Bridgitt Zielke, Siena M., Jim O'Neill, Steven Falconer, Terry Rotter

**Parish Staff Present:** Fr. Michael Lawinger and Julia Rodemeier

**Call to Order** - Sarah Schueffner

Note: A Secretary is needed for this meeting since Al is unable to attend.- *Paul Garni filled role*

**Opening Prayer** – Fr. Michael

**Approval of Agenda** – *Motion by Jim O. to approve, passed*

**Approval of Minutes** – January 20, 2026- *Motion by Terry R. to approve, passed*

**Prayer Instruction** – *Psalm 22 - "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"*

**Old Business:**

- Faith & Food Social – Sunday, June 7 at Blessed Trinity – *PC will host, details to come later*

**New Business:**

- Push Pay online giving – *Replacing all other old systems for payment AND communications (ACH, Sunday Visitor, PDS, Flocknote, SignUpGenius, etc.)*
- **Online giving – Hand out flyers after Masses during the next month**
- **Separate QR for Qualified Donations – Various fund options to give to**
- **Website links:**  
SJE: [https://pushpay.com/g/stjohnkohler?fnd=ILWSzLtPwma5G\\_NeTrBSZw&lang=en&src=qrcode](https://pushpay.com/g/stjohnkohler?fnd=ILWSzLtPwma5G_NeTrBSZw&lang=en&src=qrcode)  
BT: <https://pushpay.com/g/blessedtrinitysheboyganfalls?fnd=uu9Uq1Fc-3Pr6OHUFCWfRQ&lang=en&src=qrcode>

**Pastor's Report** – Fr. Michael

- *"Favorite Child Parish"? ... Commentary on identities of parishes, "us vs them" attitudes and how to change that... Bulletin changes, office locations, Mass times, etc.*
- *Fr. Michael is a "dictator" sentiment shared. PC does not share this belief, but actions such as removing projectors, Mass changes, and Mass time changes make people feel this way. Seems since previous pastors were very "hands off", a pastor who is involved gets some pushback.*
- *Steve F. commentary on how projectors brought back bad memories of a previous parish he visited where there were projectors, guitars and bands, dancers, etc. Proceeded to state how our parishes are doing well, "This place is rocking!" To which Julia R. responds "Without the dancers!" laughter ensues.*
- *"Jesus didn't want people to just say "yes", he wanted them to understand and say "yes". This quote from Fr. Michael summarizes much of the commentary about understanding from the parishioners.*
- *Commentary on potential school at BT: "I'm frustrated with how things are not moving!" - Fr. M.*

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**Items for Next Meeting's Agenda – N/A**

**Closing Prayer – Fr. Michael**