

**MINUTES OF THE
ST. NICHOLAS-ST. MARY PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 12, 2025**

Members Present:	Fr. Joseph Verespy, Pastor	Terri Nowak
	Mike Golubiewski, Deacon	Janice Oliver
	Elia Paris	Thom Greco
	Robert Reilly	Phyllis Wujcik
	Nancy Verespy-Forbes	Judy Kosloski
	Thom Greco	

The Pastoral Council members met at St. Nicholas-St Mary Parish Rectory. Deacon Golubiewski opened the meeting with a prayer.

Fr. Verespy provided an update on the sale of the St. Mary property. A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 20, 2025 between Mr. Verespy, Mr. Desciak, Atty. Carl Frank, and Mr. John Basalyga. Fr. Verespy stated that the parish may ask Mr. Basalyga to increase his offer of \$375,000 to match the appraisal amount of \$675,000. Fr. Verespy has had discussions with Fr. Shantillo. It was suggested that we try to get \$400,000-\$450,000 for the property. Mr. Basalyga does not plan to demolish the church itself, and he can't keep any religious artifacts. He is interested in keeping the organ. Since the organ was refurbished in recent years, that may be part of the discussion in asking him to increase his offer.

Following a discussion with the council members, the by-laws were approved without change.

Fr. Verespy distributed an income statement for FYE 6/30/2025 which shows a profit in the amount of \$95,977.

The members discussed holding a Ministry Fair. A Ministry Fair planning meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room. A representative from each ministry will be asked to attend the planning meeting. The Ministry Fair has been scheduled for the weekend of September 27-28, 2025 following all of the masses.

A discussion followed regarding the Christmas Eve mass schedule. Various options were discussed. After several different possibilities, the members concluded that there should be two English speaking masses at 4:00 p.m. and either 5:30 or 5:45 p.m. and a 7:00 or 7:30 p.m. Spanish speaking mass. It was a tradition at Our Lady of Fatima Church to have dancers at the Christmas Eve mass. It was suggested that we continue that tradition at the latter of the two masses to encourage people to attend that mass.

Mr. Reilly again brought up the area of the church people with mobility issues sit. He noted that it is very crowded at 4:00 p.m. mass. He is concerned that someone could get injured if there was an emergency in the building.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Kosloski