

St. Joseph Pastoral Council and Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held: September 17, 2025.

Attendees: Fr. Diehm, Jack Knipp, Jim Breuer, Jamie McMahon, Joel Schares, Mary K. Schaefer, Mike Miller, Scott Reiter.

1. Called to order at 6:00 P.M. at Reuter Hall Raymond, IA
2. Opening Prayer: Fr. Diehm
3. Approval of minutes – With revisions, approved by Jamie and Jim.
4. Committee Reports-
 - A. Finance & Administration – Scott will discuss with Beth how the CD funds are reflected on the balance sheet. Finances will be reviewed during the September meeting after all the year-end balances, expenses, and income are finalized.
 - B. Board of Education – Refer to the principal’s report and school operations report for June 2025.
 - C. Community Life & Social Concerns – no report.
 - D. Deanery Report – no report.
 - E. Parish Society – no report.
 - F. Spiritual Growth and Liturgy – Met in May and discussed the Easter schedule.
 - G. Building & Grounds –
 - a. Sidewalk repair – Scheduled for the end of July; Scott will notify when the project begins.
 - b. Boiler – Repair completed, and bill paid.
 - c. Reuter Hall – Concern raised about gutter leakage into the lower level after rain. Will be evaluated for repair.
 - H. New & Unfinished Business –
 - a. Adoration Chapel -HOLD
 - b. Garage - HOLD
 - c. Electronic Tithing – more discussions.
 - d. Parish Dedication (July 4, 1906 – 2026): Please share ideas on how we want to celebrate as a parish.
 - e. Journey in Faith – A meeting for all priests in the archdiocese will be held tomorrow July 17, in Reinbeck. All parishes will be impacted. We need to be proactive in fostering a healthy, collaborative parish. More information to come on this topic.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM. -Motion by Mike and Jim.

Meeting scheduled for 6 P.M. at Reuter Hall – Sept. 17, Nov.19, Jan. 21, March 18, May 20, July 3. (3rd Wednesday/every other month.

Submitted: M. Schaefer

Pastoral Council

Jim Breuer – Building & Grounds (2nd term ends 2026)

Sam Kalkbrenner (1st term ends 2026)

Mike Miller (1st term ends 2028)

Joel Schares (2nd term ends 2027)

Mary K. Schaefer (2nd term ends 2027)

Sonia Springer (1st term ends 2028)