

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2025

**Members present:** Father Barnes, Margaret Keller, Jeff Jones, Renee Berens, Tim Davis, Ben Roberg, Brian Lutes and Judy Voigt.

**Members absent:** Jeff Scherber, Alex Volk, Luke Theisen, Jenine Graham, and Celia Ramos.

**Trustees present:** Jan Zaruba and Donny Lill

**Opening prayer:** Led by Father Barnes.

**November minutes:** Approved unanimously.

**Father's time:** Renee and Father explained a capital campaign from the Archdiocese called Lord, Renew Your Church (LYRC) to fund repairs to the Basilica and the Cathedral, to strengthen educating our children, to care for clergy, to strengthen parishes, and to provide corporal works of mercy. Our goal is \$1.2 million as part of a multi-year capital campaign. We will receive 60% back from whatever amount we raise.

Father mentioned a Liturgy meeting where they discussed the placement of St. Henry's Relic in or around the altar. Alan Warmka is working on a solution to secure the Relic. Father explained the need to receive a Proxy from the Archdiocese prior to final placement of the Relic.

**Praying the Mass – The Prayers of the Priest:** The council discussed the introduction and first chapter of the book we are reading and discussing. The council is going to read and discuss chapters two and three for the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as we are not meeting in January.

**Liaison updates and additional comments:** Tim had a note from the cemetery committee that costs will be increasing to meet expenses. Tim said there was also a security meeting for ushers that was a refresher mostly. Tim said there was also a discussion about placing cameras outside the Adoration Chapel pointing towards St. Ben's. Renee mentioned only receiving 81 stewardship responses with only 10 going into new ministries.

**Closing prayer:** Led by Tim. Meeting adjourned at 8:20.