PARISH COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

Members present: Father Barnes, Tim Davis, Jeff Jones, Luke Theisen, Renee Berens, Jeff Scherber, Brian Lutes, Margaret Keller, Jenine Graham, Ben Roberg and Judy Voigt.

Members absent: Alex Volk and Celia Ramos.

Trustees present: None.

Opening prayer: Led by Father Barnes.

June minutes: Approved unanimously.

Father's time: Father, Margaret, and Renee provided an update on the Lord, Renew Your Church campaign. Renee and Margaret are two of the chairs of the campaign. Father mentioned that the past weekend was the first time a general announcement was made at Mass concerning the campaign. St. Henry's seems to be on track with pledges. Generally, the diocese receives 40% of contributions and the parish receives 60%. The percentage designated to the parish increases if we exceed our goal.

Father has not received many questions in the question box for Father and Deacon.

Father and the council discussed efforts to involve parents more with Faith Formation.

Father provided a budget review and summarized the budget for the council.

Renee relayed an update provided by Alex on Saint Heinrich's Festival mentioning we are looking for volunteers for booths, music, and food. Alex mentioned there are a lot of raffle tickets remaining to sell.

Judy mentioned the stewardship drive will be held on October 24 & 25. Judy and Renee explained that 66 volunteers are needed for each Mass assuming each volunteer serves only one role. Judy and Renee have been brainstorming how to increase stewardship. There will be tables in the gathering space for sign up opportunities.

Renee mentioned seeing and hearing a lot of families with young children at Mass. Jenine observed seeing a lot of young vibrant children at Mass. Margaret mentioned setting a goal as a council to have each of us connect with a family and share a compliment. Father talked about returning to the regular Mass schedule and inquired of the council's preference on Mass times. Father also inquired about what we are hearing from other parishioners about Mass time preference.

Closing prayer: Led by Ben. Meeting adjourned at 8:30.