

ST. PAUL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2026

6:00 PM in Bona Room

“Empowered by the Holy Spirit, We are a growing Catholic Community of Disciples, who Know, Love, Serve and Share, the Good News of Jesus.”

President Pat Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:04pm and Father Bob said the opening prayer.

ATTENDANCE - Judy Hurlburt, Michelle Otto, Pat Schmidt, Kelly Buechel, and Father Bob.

MINUTES - Judy Hurlburt made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the April 9, 2026 meeting. Michelle Otto seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM - Maggie emailed and mailed out information on the new scheduling tool for Liturgical Ministers. It is necessary to have access to email or a smartphone in order to use this tool. Any questions or concerns on learning how to use the new scheduling tool are to be directed to Maggie and/or Deacon Greg. The concern of losing volunteers due to this new tool was brought up in the meeting. Judy wants to see if Maggie or Deacon Greg can meet with volunteers to answer questions in person instead of online. Pat will contact both of them and see if they'd be willing to set up a meeting. Judy also suggested a meeting for Eucharistic ministers. Gina used to hold a meeting explaining procedures and now there's none. It would be helpful to have a meeting or written updated procedures to be sure it's being done correctly by everyone.

STANDING ITEMS:

Faith Formation Update- Maggie was not in attendance. She left the council an update and it was discussed. The report is attached.

Music, Mass, and me 7-Week Group Study - Bill Stevens is running the program. Pat and Judy have attended the program and mentioned how much they've enjoyed it and that Bill is very knowledgeable. The last class is next Wednesday. A suggestion was made about Bill Stevens making a booklet with the different Mass settings to be kept in the pews. The different mass settings were in Breaking Bread but they are not in the new Source and Summit.

Mary's Girls - There was a collection for VIDA in the crib in the Narthex. Lots of donations have been received. All of the Mother's Day roses were sold; they received a beautiful crop of roses this year.

Knight's of Columbus - No breakfast until fall.

Christian Services - There was a meeting on May 13 to discuss Loaves and Fishes account.

Environment Committee - Easter decor looked spectacular.

Trustees Report - Jim Milhaupt (Secretary Trustee) not in attendance and no update. Jackie Weiland (Treasurer Trustee) - not in attendance.

Property & Finance Update (as an FYI to the Parish Council) - no update.

Cemetery Update - no update.

PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Bishop's Appeal - Be The Light - Father Bob reported we are at 93% of our goal.

Vicariate Days - Bill, Maggie, and Judy attended. The theme was the Holy Spirit and how we can bring it into our life, church and community.

Bishop Letters- Father Bob shared the letters he received from the Bishop about consecrating The United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the 250th anniversary of our nation and religious freedom. The letter is attached. It explains that on June 11, the bishops of the United States will consecrate our country to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Then, on June 12th, we will celebrate a Mass at St. Paul's for the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Father Bob will explain and lead the audience with how to respond.

Next Parish Council Meeting - September 10, 2026.

Other Business - Golf Outing is scheduled for Sunday, June 7, 2026 at High Cliff Golf Course. No updates on Brat Fest. Father Bob shared with the parish council a request from an anonymous parishioner to pay for new pew cushions. This would help accommodate handicap parishioners. The question was asked if we should ask other parishioners to help purchase more cushions and do we want to keep these cushioned pews only up front or in other designated areas. Opinions were offered by parish council members and church staff will also be asked for their opinions before a decision is made.

ADJOURN THE MEETING - Father Bob led the closing prayer. Judy Hurlburt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michelle Otto seconded it. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm.

Meeting Minutes prepared by Kelly Buechel, Parish Council Secretary

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- I. Opening Prayer – Father Bob
- II. Review Last meeting – April 9, 2026, Parish Council Minutes
- III. Attendance: Record meeting attendees - Kelly
- IV. Open Forum – Open the floor for additional topics – Maggie’s new scheduling tool for Liturgical Ministers??
- V. Standing items
 - a. Faith Formation Update – Maggie
 - b. Music, Mass, and Me 7-week Group Study – Pat and Judy
suggestion made about Bill Stevens making a booklet with the different Mass settings to put in pews.
 - c. Mary’s Girls – Pat
 - d. Knights of Columbus – Pat
 - e. Christian Services – Judy
 - f. Environment Committee – Easter Decor
 - g. Trustees Update-
Jim Milhaupt, Secretary/Pastoral Trustee –
Jackie Weiland Treasurer Trustee –
 - h. Property & Finance Update to Parish Council as a FYI –
 - i. Cemetery –
- VI. Pastoral Council:
 - a. Bishop’s Appeal – Be The Light –
 - b. Vicariate Days – comments from those who attended
 - c. Letters from Bishop – March 26th gave out last month and April 29th letter about Consecrating The United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for 250th Anniversary of our Nation.
 - d. Next Parish Council meeting – September 10, 2026
- VII. Other Business – Golf Outing on Sunday, June 7, 2026 at High Cliff Golf Course.
Any Brat Fest updates??
- VIII. 6:55PM Closing Prayer – Father Bob Adjourn meeting