

Pastoral Council Meeting; August 12th, 2025

Attendance: Joan Maley, Wade Long, Wayne Fett, Meliza Wise, Mary Lu Callahan, Adam Summers, Larry Van Steenhyse, Tyler Rasmussen, Bill Montag, Father Chuck, Bill Mausser, Cece Roudabush

Excused: Anthony DeLeon and Tayler Knight

OPENING PRAYER: Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. *Let us pray.* O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Agenda Items:

- Becoming the Good News: A New APPROACH TO Parish Evangelization
We will discuss the first 2 chapters at our September.9th meeting.
Deanery Kick-off will be Sunday Sept.21 at St.. Patrick's
- Plans for Dedication Day-August 24th, 2025 we will be having a meal instead of appetizers. Local priests are going to RSVP, We are planning for around 600. The fire equipment passed inspection and the building is looking ready. Dirt moving taking place. Spraying the grass next week. There's a beautiful patio outside the youth room. Pews are here and laid out. All pews will be set by this weekend and then fastened down. The tables for the basement come tomorrow. Chairs will come out of the shipping container and be the basement seating around the tables. The items from the cargo bin will come out Sunday morning including books for the library. Possibly will be able to unload this Saturday if we pass inspection. Commission chairs will come in and claim the items that are in the cargo bin. There will be a rehearsal the Friday before for anyone participating in the Mass. Mick and Jorge have a plan for moving items in the temporary church after the 8:30 Mass. We looked at a flow pattern map for ushers.
- Welcoming Tours – Mary Lu; Father Chuck believes that the Welcome area will be ready by dedication day with a TV for video display. The other commissions will wait until after the Dedication. Mary Lu has name tags for the Council and tour leaders have GIANT welcome buttons. Father Chuck has a nice tour guide ready to go. All commission members should be on full steam ahead!
- Publicity – Tyler Catholic Messenger is coming but Tyler has also invited the 3 cable news and the local newspaper. Good news to share! Angie created a press release. Architect, number of seats, cost, building company. Tyler will send updates to Angie about what might be in the release.
- Update on Church Use Policy the St. Pat's information was not what we were looking for. Bill Mausser will be working with the Finance Commission. She will put the St. Pat's contract together for STM so that we have similar costs to other churches. We will call it a guideline until we are sure the contract is finalized. Suggestions will be accepted. Adam will talk with Angie about how to post items from each commission. Kim Novak is working on a template for each of the commissions so that all pages are consistent. Access to the church furthermore will be a card and keypad. Carla will activate and deactivate or give access for a certain number of hours. Will

also let the office know who is coming in and out and when. Father is not sure if there are security [cameras](#). Do we have a security policy?

Commission Reports & Discussion

Church/Family Life – Bill waiting for the opening, cookies done. SignUp Genius full.

Faith Formation - Joan Shannon has most of his catechists. NCYC 23 kids and 10 chaperones signed up. Fund raising went really well. Logan said the fundraisers went well and they will be hosting a pancake breakfast before they leave for NY. Confirmation will occur with St. Pat's with the retreat here. Young Adult group still trying to meet.

Racial Equity Initiative They are hoping to have pictures and art that reflect multicultural saints and Saint for Human Trafficking and our Lady of Guadalupe and Juan Diego. Saints will rotate seasonally in the Chapel.

Social Action/Social Justice Tithing grants completed last Sunday. Seasons of Creation 9/1-10/4. Table of Grace meal and Catholic Worker House. TofG served 100 people and had more take a to-go bag.

Welcome Commission – Mary Lu

After the Plunge (parents receive 4 mailings after baby baptized) personally addressed envelopes and greeting. Assess after a year as a good outreach?

- Stewardship Form–hoping to have the new one ready at the Welcome Table on Dedication Day

Worship & Spirituality New minister training 7/6-7 email Jorge if interested. Stewardship Sunday will be discussed after the form is completed by Judy Frits. Question if audio/video is working well—they are attending the Dedication to make sure everything works well. Flowers will be carried in since can be IN the church. Really hoping for more Eucharistic ministers—commitment to service form.

The Eucharistic Ministers have stated that right now is not a good time to be Greeters. First Responder Day—should we have a Mass and give them recognition. October 28th is the date. Cookies and punch. Father said he's known it to happen on a weeknight. Newman Center does one for lawyers, doctors. October 28th is a weeknight.

Finance Council- Bill Montag We did not meet in July. Meet again in September. Katie updated budget was approved for coming year and submitted to the diocese. Budget reports for previous year are submitted and approved. Operating Budget came in higher than planned for (\$+100,000). GMIF as of a month ago numbers wise \$12.4 mil a month ago we have paid 10.4. \$2 m left. \$150,000 contingency, wishlist, exhausted cash on hand so taking from line of credit (much later than expected!) Parish members are paying off their whole pledge \$12.6 mil recurring and gifts. Hoping people will continue to donate after they are done with their pledge. Last couple of million is 2027-2029 at latest. Actual parish members total is 1782 households currently! Delinquent, deceased, moved away are rare. One family fulfilled the pledge after their family member died.

Regina Board of Education Father Chuck still waiting on Bishop to decide on redoing the board policies and governance of school builds through the diocese. Things are good at Regina. Over 1000 students for possibly the first time

Youth Members Update – Taylor and Logan Confirmation retreat. Youth Room viewed which was fun! Looking ahead to different events planning different events with Angie. Fundraiser for NCYC but no solid details. One of the 11 am masses will be youth led starting in September as part of the service

requirement for the church. Logan will be trained to be a eucharistic minister. 4 youth are carrying up the cloth to cover the chrism oil at the Dedication.

Trustees Fran Zuber and Bill Montag

Knights of Columbus 8 Knights for honor guard for Dedication Mass. 5 door greeters. Football volunteers at concession stands. Attended Supreme Convention in DC, visited the Basilica in Quebec. Shared pictures of electronic donation stands we should consider for the welcome table. Newman Center uses a QR code

Stephen Ministry- Meliza

- Eucharistic Procession for the Jubilee Year of Hope, Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025, 2 p.m. Regina to St. Patrick please promote. Must use the sidewalk. 2 miles they are working on having a shuttle to return people to Regina
 - Camino presentations by people from parish who attended
- 8 active relationships, therapist form needs to be completed before Stephen Ministers can work with people that sometimes discourages people to continue with the process.
 - Anyone 18 or older in or outside the parish can receive ministry

- Closing prayer:

O'God, we thank you for our parish and for the faithfulness of all its members and that you are doing through us to announce the good news of your kingdom in our community. Thank you for those who complete their terms of service on the council. Bless them and bless those who are beginning their terms. In a particular way, we ask that you bless all those who are working to construct our new church home. Through them, Lord, allow its completion well in time for our determined dedication day. Trusting in you, O'God, we pray, seeking the intercession of St. Joseph the Carpenter, St. Thomas More, our patron, through Mary our Mother, and we ask all this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

8:06 close Cece motioned to close. Joan second all approved.