

## **Pastoral Advisory Council Meeting**

### **January 12, 2026 7:00 PM**

**Attending:** Fr. Michael, Fr. Ike, Deacon Jeremy, Emily Krivacek, Natalia Gutierrez, Zulma Hernandez, Tom McCrady, Luis A De Jesus, Linda Ali, Brendon Doran, Michael Meyer, Jim Stapleton, Kyle Kveton, John Thinnes, Scott Love

**Absent:** Michael Massiatte, Faustin Weber

**Opening Prayer:** Fr Michael

#### **General**

- Barbie Michniak's departure, which will leave the Vice Chair role vacant and also open up the Children's Ministry subcommittee role.
  - Scott Love will be taking over for Michael Massiatte on the Liturgical Committee.
  - Youth & Young Adults and Children's Ministry will combine reporting by Brendon Doran.
  - Jim Stapleton & Kyle Kveton will be leading the Stewardship committee and Time, Talent & Treasure.
  - John Thinnes is considering the Vice Chair role vacated by Barbie and will confirm at the February council meeting.
- Welcome to new transitional Deacon Jeremy. Ordained as a Deacon December 20th and will be Ordained as a Priest on May 23rd.

#### **Pastor's Report - Fr. Michael**

- Strong Christmas Mass Attendance. Knights visibility and organization was incredibly helpful.
- We currently have 3,539 registered families.
- \$6,991,503.94 current loan balance as we continue moving forward with our debt reduction plan.

#### **Facilities & Finance**

- **Business Management Facilities** - Zulma Hernandez
  - Closed year strong and celebrated as staff last week.
  - Beginning to plan Lent and year ahead.
  - Synod planning - next steps to come from the diocese in the next few months.
- **Finance** - Michael Meyer
  - October collections were up.
  - Council passed school tuition parishioner rate increase for the next year - will be \$1,100 in 2026 and \$1,200 in 2027.

#### **Subcommittee Reports**

- **School** - Emily Krivacek

- The second semester has started peacefully. We were at 791 students in early December. We lost 5 students at the end of the first semester for various reasons, but are adding 9 students this semester, for a projected total of 795 students.
- Early applications suggest that enrollment for next year looks strong. "Ideal enrollment" is an elusive number for a school because it requires perfect balancing in each grade, which almost never happens. Faustin would like our numbers to be within 790-810 each year.
- Our community continues to be generous, with over 530K given to our Annual Fund to date. The Christmas Purse was the largest ever at 71K, allowing each of our 89 teachers and staff to receive a generous Christmas bonus.
- We are honoring past teachers (pre-2015) and current teachers who are long tenured during Catholic schools week this year. And we're inviting "alumni parents" (pre-2015) to honor them. We haven't done this before. That event is scheduled for Wednesday, 1/26.
- The "outdoor classroom" project is complete, with the exception of the mural of our Lady of Guadalupe against the main building to adorn the space. We are soliciting bids from local artists to finish that project.
- Over the last 4-5 years, we've really made some nice physical improvements to the campus: the cafeteria, the new library, the gym, the restoration of the St. Francis prayer garden, the turfing and new fencing of our playground, new hallways lighting, the new HVAC units in main building and the CLC, the security fence. There are three things still on the list: new lockers, new student bathrooms, and new rugs/repainting downstairs classrooms. We'll tackle the new rugs and some portion of the lockers/bathrooms this summer, depending on costs. The "bathroom project" is likely a multi-year task.
- **Communications** - Linda Ali
  - Lenten guide is under production by Becca.
  - Easter Vigil preparations are being made with plans for overflow screens in the chapel.
- **Liturgical**
  - Scott Love will be taking over for Michael Massiatte.
- **Stewardship** - Emily Krivacek
  - Hand off to new council members Jim Stapleton & Kyle Kveton.
- **Children's Ministry**
  - Combining with Youth & Young Adults.
- **Youth & Young Adults** - Brendon Doran
  - Forge and Refine groups have grown to 50.
  - Working with parish staff and ministry leads on needs.
- **Evangelization & Adult Faith Formation** - Tom McCrady
  - Alpha starts back up in February.
  - OCIA largest group to date - 55 candidates. They need more sponsors - reach out to Lauren.
- **Outreach & Multicultural Celebrations** - Natalia Gutierrez

- St Vincent de Paul helped 25 families in the month of November & will have a donation truck next Sunday.
- Thanksgiving and Tree collections were successful this year.
- Streetside showers next on January 31st. Looking to add food in the new year.
- Multicultural Celebration will be on August 23rd.
- **Knights of Columbus** - Luis A De Jesus
  - Upcoming:
    - Jan. 17, Fourth Degree Exemplification at Prince of Peace.
    - Next Breakfast is on Sunday, February 1st after the 8 and 10 am masses.
    - Wheelchair Drive Weekend Feb.28-Mar. 1.
    - Father and Daughter Dance on Saturday, February 7, 2026
  - Report back:
    - Free-Throw Contest last January 9th, had 21 participants. Winners will participate at the district meet on January 25th at St Monica.
    - Hosted Photos with Santa during the December Breakfast.
    - "Keep Christ in Christmas". Four winners selected that will be competing in the district.
    - Served approximately 373 parishioners during the December 14th Breakfast and 366 parishioners during the January 11th Breakfast.

**Closing Prayer:** Deacon Jeremy

**Adjournment:** 7:54pm

**Next Meeting:** Monday, February 9th, 2026