

Attendees:			
Present	Name	Present	Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Father Tom Fangman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deb Gustafson
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ed Boos	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dan Hanus
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jamie Briganti	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stan Kathol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tracey Brown	<input type="checkbox"/>	Zach Lubeck
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Gawley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nicole Vossen

Guests: Erin Keller

I. Opening Prayer: (Fr. Tom)

II. Review of minutes from the previous meeting:

- PPC Notes from August – they were reviewed and approved.

IV. Committee/Staff Updates

- No updates
- Faith Formation: (Erin) - attachment
 - Parish Based Mentorship Pilot Program with 18 participants is underway.
 - Just a Man in the Pew – a new program that will begin in April. The program starts with a weekend retreat followed by weekly group meetings. It has a focus of four pillars: 1. Fellowship 2. Service 3. Community 4. Worship
 - Training underway for the I AM Prayer ministry through the JPPI Institute.
 - Many other exciting activities going for all ages and interests.
- School Advisory Board: (Tracy)
 - No update – report at next meeting
- Home & School: (Nicole)
 - Back to School night went well overall. They are looking to make some changes for the early childhood for next year, so parents and students each have a little one on one time with their teacher. Those rooms were a little chaotic at times, so looking at possibly having parents schedule their times.
 - The school supply kit sales profited \$4,430.
 - Angel run was also the day of the fall festival. They had an increase in participants from last year.
 - The school is looking into installing a panic button system that would put the school into immediate lockdown. They are looking at two different companies for this and may ask Home and School for funds.
 - Shamrock Stride will be held October 2nd. They have a goal of raising \$60,000, which all goes back to the school to renovate classrooms.
- Athletics: (Dan)
 - Working with EAA on Soccer field rentals
 - Working on securing Score Vision sponsorships
 - Athletic committee made a \$10,500 donation to the Parish
 - Fall sports are underway
 - Sports registrations for winter sports have begun
- Finance Committee: (Jamie)
 - Operating cash has shown a slight increase from June.
 - Short-term investments remain unchanged
 - Finalizing permanent financing at the end of September
 - Sunday giving is on pace during July which is reflective of the new church opening and increased attendance.

- Expenses were within \$6K of budget for July.
- Men's Club: (Stan)
 - Nominations are being accepted for President and Secretary
 - Fish fry shack is under construction and will be done in January – total cost is approximately \$108,000. They have made a down payment of \$25,000 and will use a line of credit to pay off the balance when it is completed.
 - Goal is to donate all funds they raise back to the parish each year.
 - They have agreed to pay \$5000 toward the “Just a Man in the Pew” mission in April.
- Women of St. Pat's (WOSP): (Zach)
 - Open House and Bunco event is tonight
 - New officers were elected at the August meeting
 - Social on August 20th had over 50 attendees who learned more about the upcoming year
 - Upcoming events include the Magnificat retreat at St. Robert's on September 20th and Trunk or Treat in October
 - Mums sales just wrapped
 - 100 members who have paid dues for 25/26

IV. Items for discussion and planning

- New Church Update
 - Overall things are going smoothly; feedback has been positive
 - Sound system has been adjusted and is working much better
- Fall Festival
 - Great attendance and beautiful weather
 - They raised approximately \$60,000
- Neighborhood BBQ
 - Invitations were sent to the neighborhood, and notices were sent in the neighborhood social media and email.
 - HyVee will cater the picnic.
 - It is a good opportunity to create goodwill within the neighborhood no matter what the attendance numbers end up being.

V. Other Business / Announcements

- Father is asking parishioners and friends to photos when touring Ireland to decorate the conference and meeting rooms.

VI. Closing Prayer / Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:40pm.

Future PPC Meeting Calendar

- Thu, Oct 9, 7:00, Waterford Room
- Thu, Nov 13, 7:00, Waterford Room
- Thu, Dec 18, 6:00, Christmas Gathering
- Thu, Jan 8, 7:00, Waterford Room
- Thu, Feb 12, 7:00, Waterford Room
- Thu, Mar 12, 7:00, Waterford Room
- Thu, Apr 9, 7:00, Waterford Room
- Thu, May 14, 7:30, Waterford Room
- Thu, Jun 9, 6:00, End of the Year BBQ



Faith Formation Office – Parish Pastoral Council Update for September 11, 2025

Formation Opportunities to Equip Parishioners in Confident Evangelism

- Parish Based Mentorship Pilot Program
 - 18 participants for first two-year cohort
 - Retreat this weekend, September 12-14th with St. Vincent de Paul Church hosting
 - Fr. Roza will present Friday/Saturday and St. Pat's Core team will present on Sunday
 - Core team is discerning if we have our second cohort begin in 2026 or 2027
- Just a Man in the Pew
 - Mission spear headed by Jeff Busch, Collin Brown and the Men's Club
 - Mission will take place Friday, April 10 in the evening and Saturday, April 11 from 9am-3pm
 - This will be a springboard for both a men's and women's weekly group with four pillars
 - Fellowship
 - Service
 - Community
 - Worship
- I AM prayer ministry
 - Mandy, Jim and Erin completing required training hours
 - License obtained to walk groups and individuals through the Healing the Whole Person retreat
 - Possible satellite for ministry training the second week of May allowing parishioners easy access to this training; and kick off a formal new ministry officially in Advent 2026
- Reform
 - Request to host a retreat weekend at St. Patrick's; cost is prohibitive
 - Agreed to allow us to sell tickets and pay whatever we collect
 - Will begin to discern possible dates
- Fr. Leo Patalinghug
 - Future Parish Mission Speaker
 - He is the cooking, ninja priest; can speak to all ages
 - Invite him to participate in Fall Festival cook off; preach all masses then mission Monday – Wednesday of that week (August 22nd through August 26th)

Community Outreach

- 8th Grade Day of Service & Poverty Simulation with Omaha Bridges – October 15th & 16th(MS Formation & St. Patrick's School)
- Thanksgiving Meal – postponed pending needs assessment data
- Community Member Needs Assessment - working COPE to survey community members to determine what new services, programs and events are needed
- Abide Christmas Store Sponsor - December 13th
- Christmas Adopt-a-Family & Christmas Meal – planning is underway for a record year for the community Adopt-a-Family project
 - Gift Distribution is scheduled at Bethany Lutheran December 5th & 6th

Adult Faith Formation

- 21 New Catholics came into the Church at the Sacrament's Initiation Mass August 24th
- 5th Men's Welcome Weekend is scheduled for January 17th/18th
- 5th Women's Welcome Weekend is scheduled for February 7th/8th - 12 women registered to date
- Fall Day and Evening Book Study with Deacon Jay - is ongoing with record attendance
- Return – new Fall session led by Mike Gawley
- Fall Alpha Series began this week
 - Tuesday evening - 51 registered guests and 12 Volunteers
 - Wednesday morning - 7 registered guests and 3 volunteer
- Lord Teach Me to Pray (year 3) has begun and will run through the year.
 - 2026: Year 1 will start again.
 - Plan is to offer this program on a 3-year cycle to ensure we have volunteers to lead it through that time commitment
- OCIA – currently there 10-15 potential candidates

- Canonization Watch Party for St. Carlo Acutis and St. Pierre Frasati
- Relational Prayer Study – will be offered again this winter

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

- SPYRL - Alpha for the next 10 weeks.
 - 60 students who are attending and participating regularly
- FIAT - Relational Prayer book
 - Focusing on building consistent and honest prayer in our daily lives that will lead us closer to Jesus
- ROCK - new young men's group, positive response and attendance
 - Led by Connor Mazzei, John Friedenbach, and Crayton Noe

Pastoral Care Ministry

- Called and Gifted - a course to help parishioners discern their charisms, or unique gifts of the Holy Spirit, for building up the Church and the Kingdom
 - Began this Tuesday evening
 - A group of 6 from St. Patrick's Gretna is also participating to experience the course as they discern it for their parish
- He Wept Retreat for grieving parents – planning is underway
 - Retreat to be held at the new campus on All Saints Day
- Support groups continue – caregiver (1/month) and divorce ministry (2x/month)
- Sanctuary a Mental Health Support Ministry - working to understand what ministries exist within the Archdiocese and how to best meet the needs of the St. Patrick's community
- Ministry to the Sick & Dying - Regular, weekly visits to homes, hospitals, and care facilities around Elkhorn continue,
 - Includes Sunday and weekday volunteers distributing Communion to more than a dozen assisted living, nursing, and memory care facilities
 - Provide prayer and Communion to Methodist Women's Hospital patients & families three days a week
 - Partner with St. Wenceslaus and St. Stephen the Martyr parishes to provide prayer and Communion to Lakesides Hospital patients & families every day of the month
- Prayer Ministry - prayer support to those who schedule and/or walk-in in need on a regular basis.

Children's Ministry

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - 24 atrium sessions
 - 16 Level 1 Sessions - serving our 3–6-year-olds
 - 8 Level 2 Sessions serving our 6–9-year-olds
 - Six of these sessions are offered after school or during the day for parish families, and the remaining 18 are school sessions.
 - Continued need for assistants in the atrium
- In October, we will offer a SEEK retreat for all families with children that need to receive more than one sacrament
- School adoration begins this Friday, with focus on furthering relationship with Jesus.
 - This ministry serves students PreK-4th grade

Family Faith Formation

- Welcomed back 380 children in 239 families to our Family Faith Formation program on Wednesday nights with a Welcome Back Kick-Off on August 27th that included a tunnel walk and BBQ
- Volunteers - 73 volunteers
 - Current needs: 6 adults and 6 high schoolers
- Family Faith Formation Strategic Plan for FFF Middle School is well underway.
 - Many changes we have already implemented and
 - Plan to evaluate in late fall before we have our mid-year survey in January