

SS. Peter and Paul Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes from Thursday November 6, 2025

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by President Sam Lieser
- II. Opening prayer was led by Father Matthew.
- III. Secretary's Report
 - a. Roll Call: Council members present: Jeff, Jesse, Julie, Sam, Ryan, Dan, Carl, Samantha
Trustee: Paul G and Wally O
Employee: Kevin
Parish Nurse:
Father Matthew
Parishioners: Bethany B.
Absent: Missy B
 - b. Approval of Financial Report: A motion was made to accept the Financial Report by: Paul and a second by: Jesse. Motion carried.
 - c. Approval of Previous Minutes: A motion was made to accept the previous meeting minutes by Julie and a second by Dan. Motion carried.
 - d. Approval of Agenda: Items added to the agenda were Turkey Bingo, Raffle Tickets to old business and Coffee Bar to new business. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dan. A second by Jeff. Motion carried.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Spaghetti Supper will be January 31, 2026. Help is always appreciated. Watch the bulletin for updates.
 - b. All Souls Banners were hung. Good feedback about the banners.
 - c. Turkey Bingo: Worker's list will be in the bulletin. Turkeys were donated by Pat Dombrovski. Door Prizes are accepted and need to be in the basement prior to the start of bingo. Watch the flier for further details.
 - d. Raffle Tickets: The calendar raffle tickets are being handed out. Looking for someone to go to SE and SJ to hand them out prior to mass. They will be at Turkey bingo to hand out. Council members will meet the weekend after Thanksgiving to discuss how to manage the ones not picked up.
 - e. Parish Center Update: The Sewer line was videoed and has a crack in the pipe about 7' out from the church. The sewer line will need to be replaced and will be completed prior to the start of the building project in the spring. Dirt work has begun and will like it completed so it can settle over the winter. The county put road restrictions on the roads just in Gilman to 7 tons. Lentner Gravel is just hauling smaller loads to abide by the road restrictions. Roller/packer is rented from TS Dirt Work. An update will be published in the bulletin as well. Also noted that Parish Center Building Project meeting notes are published monthly online as well.
- V. New Business
 - a. Parish Council Nominations will happen the weekend of November 15 and 16. Council members need to help hand out voting ballots and sort them after mass.
 - b. Fish Fry Dates are February 20 and March 13, 2026.

- c. Coffee Bar-Missy and Samantha started the coffee bar with volunteer families buying donuts. It is well received and appreciated. Encourage people to stay and visit or help serve the coffee or the other beverage being offered (changes monthly)
- VI. Reports
- a. Financial Committee: They did not meet. Wally did say that 2 CDs came due and they were renewed for another 6 months.
 - b. Building Committee: Wally has worked on 3 more doors, the choir door and the 2 exterior doors. Jeremy has been helping install them as well.
 - c. Christian Women: No update
 - d. Knights of Columbus: They have a bible study that meets Saturday 7-8AM for 16+ males. They will be making their widow baskets. Potato Pancake supper was held in October. Wine and cheese tasting for their December meeting with spouses.
 - e. Parish Nurse: Mary Ann has been helping a few people in need. If you or you know of anyone in need, please reach out to Mary Ann.
 - f. St. Johns Area School: Still looking for a teacher.
 - g. Faith Formation: Classes have begun and going well.
 - h. Welcoming Committee: No update
 - i. Fundraising Committee: Aluminum Can Drive. Kevin said it is OK to leave bags of cans by the bus garage door as long as they are in a sturdy garbage bag. He will store them in the bus garage until a trip is made.
 - j. ACC: Father discussed that there will be 3 plans submitted to the diocese and they will have the final say. The 3 plans will be shared with all parishioners once they are finalized by the ACC Council.
- VII. Concerns from Parishioners:
- a. Samantha brought up about the organ in church quit working and was fixed by Kevin. The organists would like the Organ gone through by a professional. Ryan Brunn will meet with the person who does this to get a quote of what needs to be done vs what could be done. We need to take care of our one-of-a-kind organ that was built into the church.
 - b. Sam Lieser is looking into a security class for ushers and greeters. The world we are living in is different and we would like be well informed. He is exploring a few different options and will follow up with what he thinks is the best route to take.
 - c. Bethany is asking for a speaker for the entry way in church. Kevin and Father said there is an extra speaker in the sacristy. Sam Lieser said he has speaker wire, they will work to see if this is an easy solution for now. Knowing there might be additional options with the new parish center.
 - d. Bethany commented about toddler bags at church and how we are lacking. She has been to other surrounding parishes where bags exist for toddlers to use during mass. She will make 5-7 of them for the back of church.
- VIII. Next meeting will be Thursday February 12, 2026 at 6:30PM
- IX. Adjournment: 8:27 PM, A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Carl. A second by Julie. Motion carried.

X. Closing Prayer: Father Matthew led the group in a closing prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by Samantha Ratka 11/9/25