



Cathedral of St. Mary
Pastoral Council Minutes
August 25, 2025
6:00pm Conference Room

President- Father Tom Cronkleton; Parochial Vicar- Father Lee Noel; Chair-Diane Prunty; Vice Chair- Randy Rhodes; Secretary-Mari Eisenhart; Jon Adkins, Christine Brown; Jim Casey; Jeff Castaneda; TJ Doan; Brody Medina; Tatyana Sanchez

Excused: TJ Doan

Absent: Jon Adkins,

Guest:

1. Call to Order at 6:00PM.
2. Opening Prayer led by Father Tom.
3. Election of Officers:
Chairperson- Diane Prunty
Vice Chairperson- Randy Rhodes
Secretary- Mari Eisenhart
** Christine Brown made a motion to approve. Jim Casey provided the second. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Approval of June 23 minutes
 - a. Randy Rhodes made a motion to approve. Brody Medina provided the second. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Father Tom Overview
 - a. Jacob Roth has been hired as the Director of Youth Ministry and Confirmation. Confirmation retreat is in September.
 - b. The Parish moved away from contract cleaning services and hired Tim and Brooke Benedict to clean the residence, Hartmann Hall and the Cathedral.
 - c. St. Mary's school began last week. Enrollment is currently 173 students, which is an increase from last year by approximately 30 students. The accreditation process has begun for re-accreditation. The school is also participating in farm-to-school.

- d. The ESA and Steamboat Legacy Act is under an injunction pending further investigation of constitutionality.
- e. The roof on top of the office & residences needs replaced due to hail. There is minimal damage to the high pitched roofs. Skylights at the roof were also broken. The skylights at Ave Maria were all broken, and the pitched roof needs replaced.
- f. Discussions continue regarding the alley on the north side of the Cathedral, to include a heated 6 foot sidewalk, re-sloping of the alley, running of drain spouts underground and sealing of the basement, and burying the power lines. The anticipated starting date is next summer.

6. Staff Report

7. Old Business

- a. Parish Picnic Recap, Next Year Date Change
 - i. The picnic was a great success. Next year, the picnic will be June 17, 2026.
- b. School Incorporation Committee, Pastoral Council representatives: Jim Casey and Randy Rhodes
 - i. The committee is looking for additional representatives to continue the work. The committee continues to work toward incorporation.
- c. Communion for Mission Campaign
 - i. The overall goal of the campaign is to raise \$26 million with a 5 year pledge payment. The goals are to strengthen the parishes, care for priests & seminarians, support those in need, remodeling the chancery office and more. The Parish's part of the goal is approximately \$1.7 million. The Parish Case Statement is in progress. The campaign kickoff is November 4th.
- d. Fellowship 9/14

8. New Business

- a. Father Lee was asked to prepare a presentation for Pastoral Council on Eucharistic Procession.

9. Parish Events to Note

- a. 8/29 Meals on Wheels Volunteer Help 6:30am-8am
- b. 9/1 Labor Day Office Closed
- c. 9/4 Family Adoration
- d. 9/14 Pastoral Council Fellowship
- e. 9/16 Heart & Hands Project, Friday Food Bags
- f. 9/19 – 9/21 WCCW Convention Lander WY
- g. 10/4 4TH Annual Meals on Wheels Hike for Hunger

10. Next Meeting Dates

- a. September 22, 2025

b. October 27, 2025

11. Future Meeting Dates

a. November 24, 2025

b. January 26, 2026

c. February 23, 2026

12. Closing Prayer led by Father Lee.

13. Adjournment at 6:53PM