

**Southeast Rochester Catholic Community
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2026 – Zoom Meeting**

Members: Donnell Adler, Giuseppina Alabastro, Shirley Cirillo, Jim Holleran, Dick Kilmartin, Fr. John Loncle, Ted Malone, Jonathan Maurer, Mike Mongeon, Mary Pinsky, Eileen Scardino, Tim Smilnak, David Stewart, Amy Voelkl, Kathleen Whelehan
Absent: Nance Goyette-Duncan

Opening Prayer offered by Eileen Scardino

Agenda Topic: Approval of Minutes		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Minutes were reviewed. Secretary asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Moved by Ted Malone, seconded by Giuseppina Alabastro.		
Recommendations	Actions	Follow Up
	Minutes unanimously approved	None
Agenda Topic: Pastor Updates – New Bishop, Most Reverend John S. Bonnici		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Installation of our new bishop is scheduled for March 19 th . Fr. John will share more information as it becomes available.		
Recommendations	Actions	Follow Up
Information Only		None
Agenda Topic: Pastor Updates – City Parish Planning		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Fr. John reported that the group is on hold pending the installation of our new bishop.		
Recommendation	Actions	Follow Up
Information Only	None	Revisit at next meeting.
Agenda Topic: Pastor Updates – Blessed Sacrament 125th Anniversary		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Fr. John reported there will be a celebratory mass on June 7, 2026, the feast of Corpus Christi, to celebrate the 125 th anniversary of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament parish founding. A reception will follow in the school. Bishop Bonnici has been invited to preside at the Mass.		
Recommendation	Actions	Follow Up
Information only		
Agenda Topic: Pastor Updates – Nativity School		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Fr. John reported that the lease with the Nativity School is being renegotiated.		
Recommendation	Actions	Follow Up
Information Only		Revisit at next meeting

Agenda Topic: Pastor Updates – Faith Formation		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Fr. John reported that reconfiguring the faith formation space is underway. An architect has volunteered his services. We are seeking bids from contractors. Goal is to complete work before end of school year.		
Recommendation	Actions	Follow Up
Information Only		Revisit at next meeting
Agenda Topic: Finance Council Update		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Jon reported that the Blessed Sacrament Finance Council will meet on Feb. 3 rd . Ted and Kathleen will be in attendance. Documents have been created to discuss the needs for the church roof and other campus buildings.		
Information regarding grants has been secured, and the Finance Council will also be evaluating the viability of potentially selling buildings. It was noted that the Blessed Sacrament school brings in good income, but will still need a roof. Options will be discussed.		
Recommendations	Actions	Follow Up
Information Only		Revisit at next meeting
Agenda Topic: Discernment		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: The following Council members' terms will expire in June, 2026: Blessed Sacrament – Tim Smilnak and Jon Maurer St. Boniface – Donnell Adler and Mary Pinsky St. Mary's – Dave Stewart and Amy Voelkl		
The Discernment schedule is as follows: Nominations will be requested the weekends of March 21-22, March 28-29, April 4-5 (Easter), April 11-12 with a deadline of April 18-19. Requests will be made through bulletin articles and announcements. Testimonials from sitting Council members will be given the weekend of April 11-12. The Discernment meeting will be held on Monday, May 11 th and installation of new members at the June 15 th Council meeting.		
Recommendations	Actions	Follow Up
Information only	Add meeting dates to calendars	Revisit at the next meeting.
Agenda Topic: Action Team Updates		
Discussion Summary/Conclusions: Financial Stability – see Finance Council notes above		
Buildings/Capital Fundraising – Kathleen & Ted		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed a Mission Statement that prioritizes and evaluates the structural viability of structures. Going to Finance to underscore the sense of urgency. Also looking into Planned Giving and will put information in the bulletin and website. 		

- Grants - will look into that as an avenue for fundraising
 - i. Fr. John said Carmel Garlock is experienced with grant writing (BS parishioner)

Liturgy/Ministry – Eileen

- Name Tag Sunday will be 2/8 at BS and SM, and 2/14 & 15 at SB in conjunction with coffee hours.
- PPC members announcing on following dates at respective churches
 - i. 2/7 SB - Mary 4:30
 - ii. 2/8 SB - Mike 8:00 am
 - iii. 2/1 BS - Giuseppina 9:30
 - iv. 2/1 SM - Shirley 11:15
- Eileen asked for members to help fill out nametags at the Masses to avoid a bottleneck. At BS on 2/8, looking for four PPC members : three at side entrance, one at front entrance. At SB, looking for twp PPC members each at side and front entrances. At SM, four PPC members at gathering space near entrance
- 2/14 BS 4:30 - Mary
- 2/8 BS 9:30 - Giuseppina, Jim, Kathleen, Jon
- 2/8 SM 11:15 - Amy, Dave, Shirley
- 2/15 SB 8:00 am - Mike, Dick and they will recruit a parishioner to help if needed.

Communications/Evangelization – Amy

- Amy reported that the Communications Action Team needs to be reconstituted. The current team is unable to actively participate on the Team. Discussion covered a podcast about social media, asking for parishioners with experience in communications and social media to help with this team. Tyler may also have some expertise with social media.
- It was recommended to meet with Katie, Cheryl and Tyler regarding the eBlast and website.

Recommendations	Actions	Follow Up
Meet with staff regarding eBlast and website	Recruit new members to the Action Team	Revisit at next meeting

Closing Prayer – Eileen Scardino

Next Meetings:

Monday, February 23, 2026

Prayers – Nance Goyette-Duncan