

HCJP Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Time started: 7:06 PM

Time ended: 8:20PM

Meeting began with a prayer by Fr. Phi

Meeting ended with a prayer by Fr. Joe

Minutes prepared by Cristina Ner

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 2nd @ 7PM

Location: Rectory or Convent (TBD)

Attendance:

Fr. Phi

Fr. Joe

Art Blumberg

Ebe Chidi

Cristina Ner

Dinh Nguyen

Anabel Yuen

Joseph Warfel

Trang Dai Hoang

Ronabel Castillo

Thang Dinh

Ijeomah Okafor

Agenda:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summer Fest<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Final Financial Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Art requested to share the final figures from the Summer Fest• Fr. Phi will request the final report from Nancy and Phuoc Tran• Report to be included in the bulletin
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assumption of Mary and International Banquet<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Liturgy and banquet, this year went well except not able to do the procession due to the weather• Ronabel mentioned the lack of volunteers<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Cristina suggested having a leader from each community to ask for volunteers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Should we continue to schedule International Banquet with Assumption of Mary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fr. Joe mentioned that quality of the sound system in the gym is not conducive for singing ● Fr. Joe mentioned that it is good to combine since the Assumption already attracts people ● Ronabel suggested to combine with Pentecost but for next year, there's already an event for a Priest's Ordination Anniversary and Trang Dai mentioned that there's already lots of events in May (graduation, confirmation, etc.) ● Council agreed that this will continue to combine the two events but need to determine the date so that this will be in people's calendar ●
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Facilities Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work in Progress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Interior painting work within the church being completed by Mark ● Dean is continuing to work on tuckpointing and the stone work around the perimeter to fix the existing leaks around the church ● Stefan is tackling the roofing needs ● Annette is working on securing a stone base for the placement of the Pieta ● Servicing the church door hardware ● Jim is getting ready for the winter season ● Choir area – Fr Joe is taking the lead on this <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Designed by Fr Joe's niece in Vietnam ○ Work will start in early October and will be finished by mid-October ○ Existing pianos are not working properly anymore, will need a new piano <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fr Joe with Fr Phi's permission will bring it up

	<p>on each mass, maybe as second collection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fr Phi said to prepare the congregation, announce it first then collect the following week
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ San Lorenzo Ruiz ○ Our Lady of the Rosary ○ Christmas Carol Concert ○ Simbang Gabi ○ VEYM 42nd Anniversary ○ Scouts Christmas Wreaths ○ Scouts Pancake Breakfast ○ Advent Reconciliation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tagalog mass on 9/28, celebration after • Will be on 12/14, continue with Italian beef and hot cocoa for the celebration. • Mass and celebration on 12/21 • Will be on 12/7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduling future PPC meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly in person meetings on Tuesdays @7pm • Next meeting will be 12/2, this will be in person
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fr Phi will be taking a sabbatical leave for 5 months (3 months in Rome and 2 months with family) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fr Joe will be the administrative priest in charge ○ Fr Joe will have help from other Vietnamese priest during this time • Fr Joe is looking to bring back the dancing and singing that the St. Henry Vietnamese Teens used to do back 10 years ago <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fr Joe will start with the Vietnamese teens first then open it up to others ○ This will be the Sunday after the New Year 1/3/2026 • Anabel inquired about Fr Phi's Priestly Anniversary in May. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fr Phi confirmed that he will be back in town for this.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anabel will be receiving the Christi Fidelis award and will receive the award at Holy Name Cathedral on 9/28<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Fr Joe will be celebrating the 1:30 pm mass on this day such that Fr Phi can be with Anabel to receive the award
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