

St Catherine of Alexandria Minutes  
Pastoral Council Meeting  
March 18, 2025 – 6:30 pm

Members Present: Fr. Paul Duchschere, Mark Oberlander, Doran Chandler, Steve Jorissen, Joe Zubrod,

Members Absent: Jeff Bopp, Rhonda Fairfield, Larissa Musgrave

Also present: Jessica Storhoff

**Opening Prayer** – Fr. Paul

**Additions to the Agenda** - No Additions

**Approval of Minutes** – Steve moved to approve the minutes for January 21, 2025/  
Doran seconded/ all in favor/minutes approved.

**Old Business**

**Parish Mission 2026** – Fr. Jeff Eppler is scheduled for February 22-24, 2026.  
Subcommittee needed to plan for National Speaker for autumn of 2027

**Spring Food & Needs Drive** – Will begin the weekend of March 30 with final  
collection being the weekend of April 13.

**Capital Campaign** - 95% with some pledges completely paid off.  
**God's Gift Appeal** – 40% off to a good start

**Parish Picnic** – The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of September so it will be September 21 this year  
and the pavilion is already booked. The serving time will be from 12 to 1:30pm.

**St. Catherine's Daycare** – Flooring is in, ceiling tiles have been replaced, new  
lighting put in, and some painting done, it is looking great. Donny Eberle will be  
doing some updates to get everything up to State health code and there is still more  
painting to be done.

**New Business**

**Spring Clean-Up** – Have not done this in the last few years. Fr. will look at the  
calendar and see if there is a Saturday that works to ask for volunteers to come  
clean up the grounds around the church and school.

**New Fish Fry Leader** – Renee Wert has volunteered to take on the Fish Fry this  
year. It will be held on the last Friday of Lent, April 11<sup>th</sup> after the 5:30 Mass and  
Stations of the Cross. All are welcome.

## **Committee Reports**

**Pastor's Report** – Fr. shared some thank you letters from some of the places donations were sent to.

**Buildings & Grounds** – Doran gave out a handout about all the finished, continuing and upcoming projects. See attached.

**Social concerns** – No report at this meeting.

**Spiritual Life** – The mission, talked about earlier.

**Finance-** Steve gave an overview of the finance reports. Church is doing well, need to keep an eye on the school budget, still expecting some income.

**Education report** – No report at this time.

**Nearly Nu** – Fr. Paul's pastors page was all about the Nearly Nu this past weekend.

**Cemetery** – Deacon Joe Leitner is the new sexton for St. Catherine Cemetery and Oriska Cemetery.

**Adjourn and closing prayer** – Fr. Paul led closing prayer.

**Next meeting:** May 20, 2025, at 6:30 pm