

# St. Odilia

## Parish Leadership Council (PLC)

### Meeting Minutes – 3/18/25

<b>Council: PLC</b>			
<b>Date:</b>	March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	<b>Time:</b>	8:00 PM
<b>Chair:</b>	Allison Dirksen	<b>Location:</b>	St. Monica Room

#### Meeting Participants Present

Fr. James Peterson	Karen Henningsen	Rick Storms
Fr. John Rumpza	Brian McCool	Beth Aune
Anne Rodenberg	Maribel Camacho	Erin Higley (in for Kat C.)
Amy Lamb	Greg Lauer	John Hunt
Jean Nickman	Kelly Johnson	Kathy Wiggin

<b>Opening</b>	<b>All</b>
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- Opening Prayer – Karen Henningsen
- Review and approval of 2/18/25 PLC minutes.
- Introductions: Erin Higley (Faith Formation) and Greg Lauer (Facilities) participated in place of other council members who were unable to attend.

<b>Pastor's Report</b>	<b>Fr. James</b>
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- Capital Campaign: now at 44% of our goal.
- Parish Mission Night: Different approach over a Wednesday (March 28) and Tuesday (April 1). Invite friends, family, school families, too.

<b>Administrative Report</b>	<b>Rick S.</b>
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- Endowment Grants: Let Rick or Adel know if there are questions as you fill out Endowment Grant Request. Remember to get them to Rick by Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Discernment: Start looking now and encouraging people to consider joining a Ministry Area Council. As previously mentioned, there will be a Sign-Up Genius to help with donuts at the Informational meeting on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

<b>Finance Council</b>	<b>Amy L.</b>
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- January statements reviewed and accepted.
- Jim Weiland from Emmaus Partners came to talk about financial modeling, especially related to refinancing debt from previous capital campaign coming due in May 2025.
- Will make decision based on need to maintain cash reserves.

<b>Latino Council</b>	<b>Maribel C.</b>
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- Endowment ideas discussed.
- Discussed Fall Festival – ideas to divide duties. Latino MAC will be coordinating this year.
- Future events: New and Eternal Covenant event this Thursday, March 20. Mini retreat for men's and women's groups. 30 participants in women's retreat in March (over goal). Men's retreat in May.
- April 5<sup>th</sup> Lenten retreat, will open to community. Many other events are on the same day.

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<b>Pastoral Care Council</b>	<b>Karen H.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• April bin collection: towels and soaps for Holy Thursday Mass. Leftovers will be given to other charities.</li><li>• 250 cards sent to seniors over 85. At least three calls for help/info have come in as a result.</li><li>• Endowment grants for 2025/2026: 1) Repair and clean bins, and/or 2) Work with Social Justice or other committee(s) to partner on projects.</li></ul>	
<b>Faith Formation Council</b>	<b>Erin H.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Revisited having K-6<sup>th</sup> graders coming one extra night/month. Discussed pros and cons of more frequent sessions.</li><li>• Youth Ministry 6<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Two-year program for students in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. There was confusion about the requirements for St. Odilia students vs. those who come on Wed. evenings.</li><li>• Emphasized keeping kids involved in the Church after Confirmation. Metanoia is getting 6-15 high schoolers every other Sunday. Hoping Ricky to keep the momentum going and getting more adult volunteers.</li><li>• Bible Study – idea to integrate this.</li><li>• 3 open positions on Faith Formation Council. Recruiting.</li><li>• Need baby changing tables in bathrooms in Emmaus House and at St. Odilia Church. Also need iPad for checking in students for sessions, and two additional laptops for Faith Formation staff to be more flexible in workspace. Also need \$3k-\$4k for Totus Tuus Camp in June 2025 (need counselors, food, stipends).</li></ul>	
<b>Social Justice Council</b>	<b>Beth A.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Social Justice and REM presented <i>Racial Equity</i> at Christ the King Parish (Fr. Eric is there now) – 50 attendees.</li><li>• REM Book Club featured <i>Voices of Rondo</i>. <i>Parishioners</i> have experience living in Rondo and their first-hand experience.</li><li>• In the middle of This Land is Not Our Own 8-week online course.</li><li>• Ministry for Youth Empowerment – 20 kids involved. Main requests for passports, driver's permits, how to fill out college applications and FAFSA forms.</li><li>• Will announce applications for A Just Scholarship.</li><li>• Working with Pastoral Care Committee on initiative with <i>Conversations with Friends</i>, which provides detainees with basic needs such as clothing, hygiene items + conversation. Working with PCC to raise funds and direct funds, especially for passport funding for kids.</li><li>• Shoreview Human Rights Commission wants to work with Social Justice Council and REM on anti-racism presentation.</li><li>• Endowment ideas: For Ministry for Youth Empowerment, books for REM book club, donation to St. Peter Claver, and Care for Creation initiatives.</li></ul>	
<b>Worship Council</b>	<b>Kathy W.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussed Easter Masses (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Vigil).</li><li>• Discussed ideas for Endowment funds.</li></ul>	

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- Fr. John previewed a Healing Mass at 7 p.m. on April 25 with Fr. James Livingston of St. Paul's in Ham Lake. Hosted within Easter Octave. Fr. John went on to explain how Fr. James Livingston was "*an older priest in his 60's.*" Again, that was stated by Fr. John Rumpza who can be reached at 651-415-3337.
- Fr. John is leading a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion on May 15-18, Thursday - Sunday. Worship leader is Alex Schindler, also assisting as Lenten Mission leader.

<b>Stewardship Council</b>	
(no representative at the meeting)	

**Next PLC Meeting: April 15, 2025**  
**Feb. Opening Prayer** –Rick Storms