

St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2026 @ 7pm

Members Present: Shannon Nye, Geri Bjorling, Eric Busch, Dave Kramer, Ashley Lopez, Max Kozeal, Kari Kunze

Members Absent: Corey Hough, Father Julius

Opening Prayer: The meeting opened with a prayer led by Dave.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order and led by Dave.

Approval of June Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the June meeting minutes was made by Max Kozeal and seconded by Kari Kunze. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Council Leadership: Corey Hough will remain President and First Chair. David Kramer will remain Vice President and Second Chair. Geri Bjorling expressed her desire to step down from her role as Secretary. Kari Kunze volunteered to assume the position. There were no objections from council members.

Hoo Doo Float Recognition: The parish received First Place in the Non-Profit Category. Shannon expressed gratitude to all who helped!

New Business

Advent Fundraiser: The council discussed potential Advent fundraising opportunities, including support for:

- Regan Ausdemore's Hygiene Closet at Thomas County Central
- The local Food Pantry

Advent Speaker: Father Jacob from St. Albert will be the Advent speaker on **Saturday, December 5, 2026**.

Lent Event: Man of the Shroud : The parish will host the Man of the Shroud exhibit in February.

- The exhibit will be available from Saturday through Ash Wednesday.
- A parish sign up will be created for volunteers to monitor the exhibit during viewing hours.

Rosary Rally: The council discussed possible locations for the Rosary Rally. Due to concerns about potential disruptions, the event will be held in the parish Rosary Garden rather than at the Blue Cow Pavilion. October 10, 2026 @ Noon

Light Pollution Concerns: The issue of light pollution will be referred to the Finance Council for discussion at its next meeting.

Faith Formation Door Greeters: Shannon will attempt to recruit Faith Formation parents to serve as door greeters. If additional volunteers are needed, members of the Pastoral Council may be asked to assist.

Saturday Evening Mass Schedule: Geri was approached again regarding a permanent change to the Saturday evening Mass time to 4:00 p.m. year round. Father Julius has decided to maintain the current schedule:

- 4:00 p.m. Mass from October through April
- 5:30 p.m. Mass from May through September

Call to Close: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Geri Bjorling and seconded by David Kramer. The motion carried.

Closing Prayer: The meeting concluded with a prayer led by Shannon Nye.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.