

## Minutes of the St. Charles Borromeo Pastoral Council Meeting

June 25, 2025

P	Rev. Gideon Buja	P	Warren Bohn	P	Mary Ann Nemeth
P	Rev. Shijo Thomas	E	Sr. Jennifer Daul	E	Adam Schelske
P	Mary Jo Bellinger	P	Reyna Morales	P	Judy Schneidewent
P	Patti Bohlman	P	Catherine Mudek	P	Renee Segel
			Darrell Maciejewski Trustee Treasurer		Jeff Pucel Trustee Secretary

### Old Business:

1. The minutes of the May 28, 2025 meeting. Mary Ann moved that the minutes be approved. Renee seconded the motion.

### New Business:

#### 1. Pastoral Council expectations and responsibilities—Fr. Gideon

- a. First Father welcomed Catherine and Renee to the council and thanked Don Dobbs for his contributions to the council.
- b. Role of the council: Council members are representatives of our parish community.
  - i. We should be prayerful and attentive.
  - ii. We should bring ideas and issues from the community to the council.
  - iii. Our mission is to help our families grow closer to Jesus.

- c. We should be present at the meetings
  - i. If we are not present then we cannot do much to contribute to the council.
  - ii. Life happens, but we need to do our best.
  - iii. We have the dates for the upcoming meetings so we need to plan ahead to be able to attend the meetings.
- d. We need to take time to read the materials ahead of time—the agenda and any other materials that are sent ahead of time. This enables the meeting to flow.
- e. We need to listen to each other, make proposals, share ideas at the meeting and discuss them. The meeting is a charitable atmosphere so feel free to speak up. When we discuss the Holy Spirit is there and things happen.
- f. Father is looking forward to journeying with us, coming up with ideas and seeing those ideas become realities in our parish.

## **2. Election of the Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, and Secretary**

- a. Chairperson—Mary Jo Bellinger
- b. Vice-chairperson—Sister Jennifer Daul
- c. Secretary—Judy Schneidewent

## **3. Discernment of commission liaisons**

- a. Prayer and Worship—Warren Bohn
- b. Formation—Sister Jennifer Daul
- c. Human Concerns—Reyna Morales
- d. School—Mary Ann Nemeth
- e. Stewardship—Catherine Mucek
- f. Parish Life—Renee Segel
- g. Finance Council--Patti Bohman

## **4. Representative to the Southeast Deanery meetings—Mary Ann Nemeth**

## **5. Upcoming events**

### **a. Picnic Mass—introduction of Council members and blessing**

- i. The Parish Picnic will be held on August 24, 2025.  
The Mass is at 10:30 am.

### **b. Schedule for 2025-2026 meetings**

- i. September 24, 2025 - joint meeting with St. Roman
- ii. October 22, 2025
- iii. No meetings in November or December
- iv. January 28, 2026
- v. February 25, 2026
- vi. March 25, 2026
- vii. April 22, 2026
- viii. May 27, 2026
- ix. June 24, 2026

## **6. Preparation for the September joint meeting with St. Roman Pastoral Council**

### **a. Set-up and refreshments**

- i. Judy will send an email to enable members to sign-up for refreshments.
- ii. Suggestions
  - 1. Cheese/sausage and crackers
  - 2. Desserts
  - 3. Fruit
  - 4. Veggies
  - 5. Appetizers
  - 6. Juice
  - 7. Water
  - 8. Coffee (available in the gathering space)
  - 9. Other???

### **b. Name tags**

- i. Judy will take care of name tags
- c. **Seating to mix our council members with St. Roman council members.**
  - i. Judy will provide tent cards to alternate seating
- d. **Ice-breaker(s)**
  - i. Father suggested questions to learn a bit about each other.
  - ii. Catherine will provide an ice-breaker
  - iii. Limit it to about five minutes.
- e. **Theme for both councils for the 2025-26 year.**
  - i. Jubilee year—Year of Hope. How can we inspire hope for our parish families.
- f. **Speaker**
  - i. It was suggested that we invite Dan Scholz to speak on the role of prophets to provide hope. Fr. Gideon will make inquiries and enlist a speaker.

**7. Name Tag weekend—July 5-6**

- a. Saturday: Patti and Mary Ann
- b. 8:30 am Sunday: Warren and Renee
- c. 10:30 am Sunday: Warren, Catherine, and Judy

**8. The minutes will be approved by email.**

**Closing Prayer: Fr. Gideon**

**Next meeting (joint meeting with St. Roman) September 24, 2025, 6:30 pm, in the gathering space.**

*Respectfully submitted, Judy Schneidewent, Secretary*