

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday September 2, 2025 at 6:30 PM
Meeting held at Gallagher's Pizza

Present: Father Bob Kabat, Andy Schumacher, Kelly Fitzgerald, Brenda Luedeman, Mike Van Handel, Joanne Reykdal, Michelle Knaus, and T. J. Sorensen

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by new incoming Chairperson Andy Schumacher.

A special thank you was given to outgoing Chairperson Mike Van Handel for his past leadership.

A warm welcome was given to new trustee Michelle Knaus who joined the council.

Approval of the agenda was given by Father Bob.

Election of officers took place with Brenda Luedeman becoming Vice Chairperson, (to become Chairperson next year) and T. J. Sorensen accepted the secretary role.

A discussion was held regarding the reading of Chapter 2 of The Three Ordinary Voices of God pages 25-39 from Dynamic Catholic.

A discussion was held regarding Diocesan Parish Planning which a meeting was held this past Thursday in the Parish Gathering area.

Church "events" for the year was discussed concerning a possible fundraiser for school windows to be replaced on the west side of the Father Allouez Catholic School St. Matthew's Campus and thoughts were also expressed for a possible pictorial directory.

A question of St. Matthew's School safety came up and a discussion was held and an explanation was given regarding the practices that are in place at the St. Matthew Campus.

T. J Sorensen brought up the latest impact that St. Matthew's Parish has had on the local DePere Chapter of Sleep In Heavenly Peace, since inception as a charity was accepted and recognized by the Parish in May 2023.

SHP has received \$30,129 in monetary donations and \$10,072 in in-kind bedding donations. That is the equivalent of 160 beds for local kids. We thank you for your generous and ongoing support in addition to the numerous volunteer hours, building and delivering beds.

Tentative Dates: November 4th (meal by Andy), January 6th (meal by T.J.), March 3rd (meal by Brenda) and May 5th (meal by Joanne).

Respectfully submitted by T. J. Sorensen