

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA PASTORAL COUNCIL FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2026

AT-LARGE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Judy Blank, Mickey Disbennett, Bridget Eichhold, Mike Essen, Gina Leranath, Jim Macke, Greg Niehaus

AT-LARGE MEMBERS ABSENT: John Bedel, Alan Gerken, Karen Hultquist, Brian Linneman, Dennis Wiwi

CLERGY IN ATTENDANCE: Fr. Andrew Umberg

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jen Smith, Mary Dadosky, Nancy Brunemann

CALL TO ORDER: President Mike Essen

OPENING PRAYER: Mickey Disbennett

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS PASTORAL COUNCIL (PC) MEETING MINUTES:

- Greg Niehaus made a motion to approve the January, 2026 meeting PC minutes. He was seconded by Jim Macke. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1 Upcoming Pastoral Council Elections

- **Pastoral Council Elections:** Mike reviewed the procedures for the upcoming PC elections. After a bit of discussion, it was determined that election weekend is tentatively set for May 16-17th.
- **Parish Communications:** The Parish is currently using Flocknote as a primary communication resource to reach all parishioners. It was discussed that many folks are unaware of the registration process for the Flocknote site. Henceforth, the Parish will provide annual registration instructions to this site as an invitation to include any new parishioners or those who have not previously viewed the site.

2 Finance Update from Jen Smith & Mary Dadosky:

- **Budget vs Actual Review** A Statement of Activities as of 12/31/2025 was distributed for both the school and the parish financial operations. The presenters provided very thorough summaries of both statements. Overall, with the exception of the timing of the 13th payroll posting date, both the school and the parish appear to be on solid financial ground. They noted upcoming significant expenditures such as an elevator update and bleacher replacements; church bells and the boiler and chillers in the HVAC system. Facility maintenance expenses will be covered using funds invested at the Archdiocese for this purpose .
- **School Tuition for next school year** Tuition for the 2026-2027 school year has been set and communicated to the school families.

PASTOR'S REMARKS:

- **Ministry Fair:** The recent Ministry Fair, which was held during the February Donut Sunday gathering, was a relative success. The event was well represented by the various parish

APPROVED MINUTES

ministry groups and well attended by parishioners. Moving forward, we would like to hold these two events simultaneously in February and September annually.

- **Staff Update:** We have a couple of new hires in the parish center. Kristine Von Holle has joined the staff as Fr. Umberg's secretary. In addition to duties assigned by Fr. Umberg, she will learn general parish duties for all functions as a backup to all staff members. Mary Armstead was previously a part-time temporary hire who has now joined us full time. Please welcome these new faces to the parish.
- **Fish Fry Update:** Since our last meeting, a number of folks have come forward to volunteer to assist with the Fish Fry. While we are grateful for these helping hands, we are still in need of many more to make the event a success. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, February 12 via the SignUp Genius. After that time, we will make a final decision on the future of the Fish Fry. It was noted that our internal advertising for this and other events could use a boost. The Evangelization Committee will address this along with the FlockNotes item which was above mentioned. The possibility of adding drive thru ordering and pick up capabilities was briefly discussed. Due to timing, this was tabled for discussion until next year's planning.
- **Stations of the Cross:** Fr. Expressed a desire to replace the current stations of the cross with some that are more evocative and colorful.
- **Construction Update:** Painting will be happening in the church and Loyala Hall this summer. Due to the Christmas season and inclement weather, there has been a lull on any additional construction planning. Further details will be provided as plans evolve.

NEXT MEETING: March 3, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the School Library

CLOSING PRAYER: Judy Blank

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Brunemann
Pastoral Council Recording Secretary