

APPROVED MINUTES

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA PASTORAL COUNCIL MAY MEETING MINUTES

September 1, 2026

AT-LARGE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: John Bedel, Judy Blank, Karen Hultquist, Colin Lang, Gina Leranthe, Byron Lewis, Greg Niehaus, Chris Schulte, Dennis Wiwi

AT-LARGE MEMBERS ABSENT: Craig Hoffman, Jim Macke (Nancy Brunemann)

CLERGY IN ATTENDANCE: Fr. Andrew Umberg

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jen Smith, Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER: Gina Leranthe

OPENING PRAYER: Fr. Umberg

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS (AUGUST) PASTORAL COUNCIL (PC) MEETING MINUTES:

- Edit: "Complete the updates/movement of the Holy Family Mary and Joseph statue niches to be closer to the celebration of the liturgy,
- Edit: "Church office updates, including counter and cabinetry enhancements, space for a copier and fine-tuning relocating the doorbell to the Parish Office doorbell-are all underway.
- Greg Niehaus, approved. Colin Lang, seconded. Passed unanimously with Edits

GUEST SPEAKER:

Jen Smith, Business Manager at Parish Office. Presented Finances as of the end of fiscal year 6/30/2026.

Church Financials forecasted a loss initially, but ended with a profit.

- Income was higher as Sunday and Holyday donations were higher than budgeted, and festival proceeds higher than budgeted.
- Expenses came in lower than expected due to staff wages being lower than budgeted, as well as property/liability insurance coming in lower than expected. Additionally, some religious formation programs came in lower than budgeted.

School Financials forecasted to come in higher than budget, but ended with a deficit.

- Income was lower than expected as Jon Peterson Scholarship government funds came in lower than expected.
- Expenses were higher than expected due to addition of advancement staff, security staff wages and administrative fees. Additionally, building repairs and maintenance came in higher than expected. There were also 6 more health insurance plans than budgeted.

Stewardship Sunday is September 13. Will include charts including 2027 budget. The 2027 budget was not presented at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

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1. Parish Picnic Staffing: September 9. Begins at 5:00. Parish Council staff to assist in Welcoming at 4:45. Greg Niehaus, Byron Lewis, Judy Blank all volunteered.
2. Pilgrimage Opportunities:
 - Father Umberg looking into a pilgrimage for 2028.
 - Greg Niehaus organizing one for 2029.

PASTOR'S REMARKS:

Synod for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, September 2027. Members of Pastoral Council will likely need to be present.

Summer was busy with church remodeling, transitions with Fr. Tran and Fr. Dorn, and the festival.

Plan for the painting, ceiling painting, pew removal to paint the ceiling and carpet replacement planned for summer 2027.

Backsplashes for candles should be back within a few weeks. Then candles will be replaced.

Parish Office remodel almost complete. Awaiting final paint.

Festival results look promising. Beautiful weather. Awaiting financials.

At some point this year Father would like to have a discussion about Mass Times.

NEXT MEETING: October 6, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the School Library. Bob Buchman will be joining to present on Festival results. (Gina Leraneth and John Bedel will not be present. Jim Macke will preside over the meeting).

CLOSING PRAYER: Fr. Umberg

Respectfully Submitted,
Gina Leraneth

Pastoral Council President