

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes (August 20, 2025)

1. Members
 - a. Father Bill Lucas
 - b. Jorge Solis - absent
 - c. Ozzy Jimenez - absent
 - d. Mary Burns
 - e. Jeff Reach
 - f. Buddy Adamson
 - g. Laura Cash
 - h. Paul Thomas
 - i. Brenda Rochford
 - j. Meagan Price
2. Opening prayer by Mary Burns
3. Approval of meeting minutes
 - a. Minutes from last meeting were approved as amended
4. Committee reports
 - a. Building committee
 - i. Father Bill met with the Consultants on August 19, 2025.
 - ii. Waiting on Bishop Raica to approve
 - iii. We have approx. \$2,100,000 in reserve for construction
 1. OLL Building Fund - \$39,170
 2. Diocesan Building Fund - \$1,719,481
 3. Diocesan Reserve - \$394,936 (total less \$500k)
 - iv. Once Bishop Raica approves, an Ad-Hoc committee will be formed to conduct a Capital Campaign, tentatively scheduled for November 2025
 - v. Tentative Construction Budget:
 1. Base Scope (Parrish Hall only)
 - a. Budget - \$3,300,000
 - b. Incidentals (contingency) - \$700,000
 2. Alternate Add Scope (Gymnasium)
 - a. Budget - \$1,500,000
 - b. Incidentals (contingency) - \$400,000
 - b. Finance Committee
 - i. Steven Reese provided 2025/2026 budget to Council compared to 2024/2025; no further action was taken.
 1. Attached

- c. Knights of Columbus
 - i. Prayer service September 13, 2025
 - ii. Silver Rose Ceremony September 24, 2025; ceremony prior to Mass
 - iii. BBQ August 29 & 30, 2025
 - iv. KoC Mass August 31, 2025, 8:30 a.m. Mass, the next KoC Mass will be November 30, 2025, 11:15 a.m. Mass
 - d. Liturgy committee
 - i. Next meeting will be September 4, 2025
 - ii. OCIA starts September 2, 2025
 - iii. Miraculous Medal Novena – no changes
 - iv. Adoration – no changes
 - e. Maintenance
 - i. Waiting on new water fountain: Joiner Plumbing to install when delivered.
 - ii. Soundboards are delivered, waiting on the “rack” so it can be installed.
 - iii. We have estimates to remodel two oldest bathrooms in the church.
 - iv. Should get an estimate Monday August 25, 2025, to strip and re wax floor in Parrish Hall and halls in RE Building.
 - f. Religious education
 - i. Religious Education (RE) starts September 7, 2025
 - ii. Training for Youth Altar Servers on September 9, 2025
 - iii. Tentative Diocesan RE Training December 20, 2025
 - iv. We may use the cleaning of the pews as a service project for the kids
5. New business
- a. Constitution and By-Laws
 - i. First draft was presented to the Council, Jorge S will “clean-up” and provide to the Council for approval and/or amendments.
 - b. A hardcopy of the monthly opening prayer list was created at the July meeting. Another “alternate” list was created, and Jeff R will review and update as necessary, once he receives the July list, following is the alternate list:
 - i. September - Jeff R
 - ii. October - Meagan P
 - iii. November - Buddy A
 - iv. January - Laura C
 - v. February - Brenda R
 - vi. March - OPEN
 - vii. April - OPEN
 - viii. May - OPEN
 - ix. July - Paul T
 - c. Cub Scouts first meeting at OLL was Monday August 18, 2025, headed by John Bryant.

- d. Paul T said he was not getting emails; we should verify the emails in the bulletin are correct.
6. Old business
 - a. Food Distribution goal is 25 families throughout St. Clair County; first distribution was 10 (supposed to be 13); leftover food was given to Caring Hearts.
7. Next meeting will be September 17, 2025
8. Meeting closed in prayer

