

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes (March 18, 2026)

1. Members,
 - a. Father Bill Lucas
 - b. Jorge Solis
 - c. Ozzy Jimenez
 - d. Mary Burns
 - e. Jeff Reach
 - f. Buddy Adamson
 - g. Laura Cash - absent
 - 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 submitted.
4. Committee reports
 - a. Building committee
 - i. We have been given permission to start our capital campaign from the diocese.
 - ii. The building committee is scheduled to meet with the architect March 19th to discuss how to present the parish hall project to the parish.
 - iii. Current cash on hand for project is approximately \$ 2,100,000.00, which includes approximately \$ 444,000.00 from the Diocesan Reserve.
 - iv. Goal is to start construction before the end of this calendar year.
 - b. Finance Committee
 - i. Operating expenses are less than budget for the current year, but greater than prior year.
 - ii. Net income for the current year was greater when compared to budget and greater than prior year.
 - iii. Operating net income, less restrictive & capital, was positive when compared to the budget for the current year and compared to prior year.
 - c. Knights of Columbus
 - i. Knights Mass will be on March 28, 2026.
 - ii. Discussed recent Knights prayer service and Cor session.
 - iii. The Devine Mercy Chaplet will be held each Friday during Lent starting at 3:00 PM in the chapel.
 - iv. Lenten fish fry will be held each Friday with meals being served from 5:00 to 6:30 PM.

- v. The next COR-Men session will be held on April 13, 2026; the session will be on Marriage/Family.
- vi. Honor Guard is requested June 7, 2026, for the Solemnity of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

d. Liturgy committee

- i. A palm procession is scheduled for the 11:15 a.m. Mass on March 29, 2026.
- ii. The Chrism Mass for the is Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral in Birmingham. Due to the time, there will not be a morning Mass that day.
- iii. On Good Friday, there will be confessions from 9:00-10:00 a.m.
- iv. We have one Catechumen, who will be baptized, confirmed, and make his communion at the Easter Vigil on April 4, 2026.
- v. There are four candidates who started OCIA in January. They are scheduled to be received into the Church on May 17, 2026.
- vi. The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is June 7, 2026. There will be a Eucharistic Procession following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Honor Guard will lead the process, weather permitting.
- vii. The next meeting will probably be in August.

e. Maintenance

- i. The rectory dock still needs repair; a contract has been signed and work should start, hopefully soon.

f. Religious education

- i. On May 3, 2026, there will be a high school senior recognition ceremony at the 8:30 a.m. Mass and First Communion at the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

5. New business

- a. Brenda Rochford will be termed out this year.
- b. Meagan P and Jorge S first term are expiring and Father Bill asked if they would prayerfully consider continuing a second term.
- c. Brenda R. Mary B., and Jorge S. make up the selection committee for Brenda's successor and possibly Meagan P and Jorge S replacements.
- d. Discussed a possible reception for Shelly's "retirement". Father Bill will ask and let us know.
- e. Prayer Schedule:
 - i. April - Jorge
 - ii. May - Ozzy
 - iii. June - NO MEETING
 - iv. July - Paul T

6. Old business

- a. No discussion.

7. Next meeting will be April 15, 2026
8. Meeting closed in prayer from Father Bill.