

St. Gabriel Parish
Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting
April 28, 2026 | 7:00 – 8:30 pm | Board Room

Present: Fr. Brian Wideman, Christopher Wautlet, Jen Whaley, Michael Burr, Barbara Bodenhagen, Tom Klinkhammer, Julie Klein,

Absent: Mary Koslowski, Keith Gilbertson, Jessica Anderson,

AGENDA

1. 7:00-7:02 Opening Prayer- Father Brian
2. 7:02-7:05 Review and approval of January 27, 2026 Minutes - Approved
3. 7:05-7:06 Introductions of any visitors – Michael Jerger
4. 7:06-7:10 Introduce our new Pastoral Minister – Michael Jerger
Main roll is ministering to people outside of the parish walls – through home visits, Human Concerns and Grief Share committees and funeral ministry.
5. 7:10-7:12 Note any additions to the agenda
Question on how we did financially on the Lenten Fish Frys. They made a little more than forecasted. Bingo earnings were on target.

Old and Current Business

6. 7:12-7:30 Parish Pastoral Planning Updates
Pray for the nation on June 16th
Possible outdoor mass and picnic on July 5th to celebrate our country's birthday
7. 7:30-7:40 Review/Discuss Pastoral Council purpose (see Diocesan guidelines)
See additional handouts

New Business

8. 7:40-7:50 Parish Committee Updates
 - a. New “Art & Environment Committee” was formed to assist with seasonal liturgical decorations of the church
Committee doing well, people loved the Palm trees donated by Mike and Sue Malesa
 - b. Vision Committee will be meeting again soon to discuss remaining one-By-One Campaign funds

- c. Review of our current committee liaisons and their obligations
Christopher will reach out to committees each month via email and ask for any information/updates to present at our future meetings.

9. 7:50-8:00 Review April 15 Staff meeting notes
Bishop's Appeal has \$12,800 left to collect which is due September 30.
Possible second collection and/or more testimonials.
Volunteer dinner in the fall
10. 8:00-8:10 Discuss: Restarting an annual parish picnic (Fall Fest?)
 - community-building, evangelization, and budgetary reasonsGood idea, one day event to start after 10 Mass held in the fall. More discussion to follow. Gabriel-fest
11. 8:10-8:20 Discuss: Eucharistic Procession 2026
 - St. Gabriel procession
Around the property with a social to follow

 - Possible St. Gabriel-St. Margaret Mary procession in Fall?
Both parishes walk to Washington park for a mass, pray for the city
12. 8:20-8:25 Pastoral Council membership
 - Review current member terms
Tom Klinkhammer and Mary Koslowski will finish their term in June
 - When to have new members join
We need to new members to join in July
13. 8:25-8:29 Any Action Items and Next Meeting _____
Christopher will reach out to the Knights about July picnic
Christopher will contact committee leaders for reports
How to make confession process easier/more clear
14. 8:29-8:30 Closing Prayer and Adjournment – Father Brian