

Saint Pius X
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday – February 11, 2025

Present: Father Mark Tomaszewicz, Justin Cyboron, Kristine Ericson, Barb Houlden, Katherine Horvath, Cheslee Klinger, Jerry Klug, Jessica Lathrop, Norah Morris, Mary Coyle

Absent: Bill Fell, Mary Ellen Freyermuth, Sam Griffin, Faith Kurtyka, Jerry Morrissey

I. Call to Order

Pastoral Council President Kristine Ericson called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Mary Coyle recorded the names of those in attendance.

III. Opening Prayer

Father Mark led the opening prayer. Council members silently reflected on the Gospel of Luke 6: 17, 20-26 and then shared their reflections with the group.

IV. Review and approve Pastoral Council meeting minutes from Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Kristine asked if there were any corrections needed for the January 14 meeting minutes. Norah Morris moved the minutes be approved; Jessica Lathrop seconded the motion. The January 14, 2025 minutes were approved.

V. Old Business

- ***St. Pius Festival Plans for 2025***

- Kristine reported a several committees are missing captains including the Cake Walk, and Games.
- She asked for discussion for setting the price point of the lottery tickets. In 2024, each ticket was \$10. Following discussion, the Pastoral Council agreed each ticket should be \$2 and 10 tickets will be placed in an envelope to be distributed to each parishioner. The payout for the lottery will be \$1000, \$750, \$500, \$250 and 4 @ \$100 for a total of \$2900.
- Jessica said she would check with a printer for the cost of printing the tickets.
- Father Mark asked if the names of sponsors could be printed on the tickets. Following discussion, the Council decided to wait until next year to do this after identifying sponsors for the 2025 Festival.
- The Finance Committee will be the Underwriting Committee.

- ***Pasta Feed March 21 – Reminder***

Kristine reminded Pastoral Council members to volunteer to work at the March 21 Pasta Friday. She said more people are needed for the second shift. She added that the Knights of Columbus and Men's Club would be sending the SignUp Genius link to parish groups or the link will also be available on the parish website.

V. New Business

- ***School Update***

- Catholic Schools Week went well. The Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Round-Up on Saturday, January 25 also went well.

- First Holy Communion is scheduled for Sunday, April 27 at 2 p.m.
- Contracts for teachers are being issued.
- **Meet & Greet Topics**
Barb Houlden said a person visiting from outside Omaha said that if they were looking for a parish, they would choose St. Pius because of its friendliness.
- **Pastor Comments**
 - Father Mark said he was attending the clergy conference this week.
 - Planning is underway for Lent. The book **Rebuilt Faith** has been ordered for each parish family as the parish read during Lent. Faith sharing groups will be formed for discussion of the book.
 - Ash Wednesday is March 5, and Mass will be at noon and 5:30 p.m.
 - Stations of the Cross will be at 5:30 p.m. on Fridays during Lent, except for March 6.
 - Pasta Fridays are scheduled for March 14, 21, 28, and April 4.
 - Fundraising for the Parish Center renovation has been gaining momentum. The committee has been gathering bids and will meet next week. Collections for the renovation have been good.
 - There will be a parent meeting for Confirmation soon.

VI. Other

- Katherine Horvath asked about the Guidelines for Pastoral Council that had been discussed at last month's meeting. It had not been included in February's agenda. Katherine asked if the Pastoral Council meeting day of Tuesday should be specified in the document. Pastoral Council members agreed that a meeting day should not be specified to give the Council some flexibility.
- Kristine said the Pastoral Council will be composed of nine members. Nominations for open positions on the Council will be needed in the next several months.
- Jessica moved that the revised Pastoral Council Guidelines be adopted. There were no objections.
- Kristine reminded the Pastoral Council members that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 18 instead of March 11 due to Spring Break.

VII. Closing

Father Mark closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Coyle
Recording Secretary

Future Meetings	Future Meet & Greets
March 18	March 1-2
April 8	April 5-6
May 13	May 3-4
June 10	June 7-8