

St. Anthony & Sacred Heart
Pastoral and Finance Council
MINUTES
January 6, 2026, Tuesday, at 6:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order & Prayer
 - A. Fr. Joe called the meeting to order at 6:00 with an opening prayer

- II. Roll call
 - A. Present: Fr. Joe Dorner, Judy Parent, Donna Moreau, Garrett Zittlow, Jacob Henrichs, Elise Neuens, and Jim Carncross. Debbie Wodenka, Josh Vandebush, Tammie Goldschmidt, and Tony Noska absent and excused. Dawn Johnson presented financials and took minutes.

- III. Approval of the Agenda
 - A. MOTION (Zittlow/Henrichs) to approve the agenda as presented

- IV. Approval of the Minutes (please read ahead of time)
 - A. MOTION (Parent/Carncross) to approve the minutes as presented

- V. Pastoral Council
 - A. Christmas Pageant review: Ideas include starting at 4pm when Mass is advertised to start
 - B. Principles for decorating, review of changes: Fr. Joe
 - 1. Don't want to obstruct altar and ambo, but creche is welcome up front.
 - 2. Statues will be put back in the alcove
 - 3. Baptismal font will remain in the narthex (except for Easter Vigil)
 - C. Rescue Project Fall of 2026
 - 1. Will we bring in new members? Follow up by Jacob with Rick and Fr. Dorner with Fr. Chenier to hear if this is feasible for our parish at this time.
 - D. SWOT - (Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats of our parishes.) Move this to VII instead of here for March meeting.

- VI. Finance Council
 - A. Building and Grounds Reports
 - 1. Judy Parent
 - narthex flooring update (carpet or stone): Discussed options and decided to move forward with the Luxury Vinyl Tile with an eye to durability. Follow up includes getting samples to choose a specific style.

-water issue east side of Hall is a continuing problem. If no one can be found to fix the wood so gutters can be installed, then at the very least ground break should be put against the brick and the area bermed with dirt against the building to get the water to flow away.

2. Jim Carncross

-bathroom repairs: Estimates for labor and flooring material were obtained with a note that new toilets would be put back rather than the ones removed. It was decided to move forward with Northern Carpet for the labor and material.

-blacktop update: Waiting for Spring as Midwest Asphalt Quote was signed and 10% put down.

- B. Financial highlights since last meeting were presented by Dawn
 - FYTD St. Anthony has working capital of just over \$5000 and Sacred Heart has working capital of over \$74,000. The reserved funds are paying for special projects.
 - C. The Raffle income is being used in paying shared expenses
 - D. FYTD numbers in bulletin provide information regarding the ability of each parish to pay the budgeted expenses. It is a subtle way to show each parish's needs.
 - E. End of Year Contribution Statements, mail merge samples were passed around. This year each person will also receive a letter from Fr. Dorner with a positive look to the future needs of each parish. Another letter will be sent to inactive registered members in May or June.
- VII. Next meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 6:00pm with a focus on the 26/27 budget
- VIII. Concluding prayer led by Fr. Dorner