



ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mission Statement:

**As friends and followers of Jesus,
we are devoted to fostering households and communities of faith
through the mission and ministry of the Catholic Church.**

Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes - Thursday, February 19, 2026 – 6:30 pm – Room 104-105-106

Attendees: Kelsey Bahr, John Kubasta, Rick Panske, Andrew Prust, Kathy Saari, Ben Sanderfoot, Tracy Slagter, Jackie Trebiatowski, Madison Eytcheson

Trustees: Ed Jeziorny

Staff: Fr. Tom, Fr. Ben

Excused: Dave Hetzel

Opening Prayer – Lectio Divina – John 14:15-26

Approval of 9/18/25 Minutes

Pastor's Updates:

Ash Wed Mass ~ 1,800, most since 2015

- **Annual Parish Meeting**
 - Fr. Tom Shared Ben's notes from the annual meeting on connecting with parishioners
- **Fr Ben – Vocation Director in July 2026**
 - Shared his opportunity
- **Donation to the Adoration Chapel**
 - \$100,000. Tentative timeline is an early June dedication
- **Church Support increase**
 - Tony mentioned we'll remove the extra revenue from investment earnings and hope to make it up with increased church support.

Review of November evening with Parish Staff

- Diocese requirement is an annual meeting – this was a prayerful time
- Sara led us in prayerful time using Martha and Mary, "Make Room"
- John shared his new perspective on the thoughtfulness of the Bishop's plan over the past years.

Discussion of Bishop Ricken's document: Sent on Mission: A Pastoral Invitation to Share Jesus with

- p. 8 of book:
 - Bishop's experience with Pope Francis, don't get ahead of the Holy Spirit
 - Read the Acts of the Apostles and "keep moving forward"
- Discussed our perspective of The Holy Spirit
- Rick to email link to Paul Harvey, "If I were the devil"
- <https://youtu.be/jnPE8u5ONIs?si=QZ2Nloc7vxRTmu0i> (Original 1965 Broadcast)

Discussion Questions:

Has anyone witnessed the faith to you in an informal way?

Why and how is the Holy Spirit the principal agent of evangelization?

For what help could you ask the Holy Spirit?

Closing Prayer**Next meetings:**

No March meeting

Thursday, April 16, 2026

Thursday, May 21, 2026 – Joint Meeting with Finance Council

No June meeting