



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

Thursday, April 16, 2026 – 6:30 pm – Room 104-105-106

Minutes

Present: Andrew Prust, Ben Sanderfoot, Kelsey Bahr, Dave Hetzel (trustee), Ed Jeziorny (trustee), John Kubasta, Rick Panske, Kathy Saari, Madison Eytcheson, Tracy Slagter, Jackie Trebiatowski, Fr. Tom Long, Fr. Ben Pribbenow

Excused:

Opening Prayer – Lectio Divina – Luke 24:313-35 – The Road to Emmaus

Approval of 2/19/26 Minutes and Additions to the Agenda - Approved

God Bless Tracy's Mom, Madison's baby!

Pastor's Updates:

- Newly ordained priest – Fr. Nathan Pudde
- Change in parishes where the priests help –
 - Omro/Winneconne expect Bishop to appoint an International Priest
 - St Jude – Fr Louis going to Two Rivers; St Raphael priests will be priest celebrants
 - Most Blessed Sacrament - Fr. Ryan Starks
 - Fr. Jerry will be moving to Door County
 - Fr. Zach, UWO Newman center will help at St Jude
- Lourdes President & other leadership
 - Offered job, not accepted, search continues

Parish Council membership

- Ed Jeziorny (trustee) and Ben Sanderfoot ending their terms
 - Thanks Ed!
 - Election in May
 - Thanks Ben!
 - And Tracy, our New President!
- Jackie Trebiatowski and Kelsey Bahr renewing

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

Please read and pray with pages 15-18 in preparation for this meeting. We will also review materials from Called and Gifted Discernment Process from the Catherine of Siena Institute

Discussion questions:

- Who is the person of the Holy Spirit?
- How do I pray to Him?
 - Can be a difficult to pray to Him, easier to pray to The Father and The Son
- What is the difference between a disciple and an apostle?
 - Disciple = “Sit n get”, Student / Follower
 - Apostle = heavy lift, you are sent
- How do we receive gifts (charisms) from the Holy Spirit?
 - We need to invite the Holy Spirit in to receive His gifts; give Him permission to “come on in”
 - The Advocate, Comforter, Consoler,
 - Gifts are for the sake of others; received in Baptism and Confirmation; are empowered by God; allow us to be instruments of His providence and His purposes
 - These help us know what is needed at a given time
- How do I know when the Holy Spirit prompts us to use those gifts?
- Reclaim Sunday as a day for prayer
 - rest; be with family
 - connect with others
 - invite others back to Mass – person to person conversations;
 - corporal works of mercy – feed the hungry, shelter to the homeless
 - spiritual works of mercy – instruct the ignorant, admonish the sinner, p. 26
 - How do we do things in parks, other places to invite people in, how do we lead others to The Truth
 - Fish Fry
 - Yes, No, Not Yet

Closing Prayer

Next meetings:

May 21, 2026 – Joint Meeting with Finance Council

No June meeting