

APPROVED St. Theresa Pastoral Council Meeting

August 21, 2025

“Yours are the Hands, with which He blesses all the world”

Present: Fr. Jordan, Kathy Scherbarth, Darlene Sterzinger, Chris Suchomski, Jodie Kujawa, Mary Bishop, Patrice Farrell, Erin Kupkovitz, Claudette Krestan, Mary Markham, Greg Wallace

Excused: Fr. Denny, Sean Hegarty

Opening Prayer: Opening prayer was held in church, as part of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:30 pm

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Reports

Liturgy: Claudette reported that the committee’s next meeting will be on Sept 23, 2025. Chairperson, Mary Pratt is involved with the Rescue Project which will be held at St. T’s, starting Wednesday, Sept 10, 2025, and will go for 10 weeks.

Faith Formation: Jodie shared that there is great progress with the Faith Formation program. The new leaders, Jenny Kluck, Child Formation coordinator and Thaddeus Loduha, Youth Formation coordinator, are excited and well prepared for the new year. Jodi also was pleased to announce that there are no vacant seats on the FF Committee.

Human Concerns: Mary Bishop said that St. T’s no longer has a Human Concerns committee. Although Human Concerns is a Commission of the Council, it still exists. It was agreed that Human Concerns would pause until it can be determined what will be the best path forward. Patrice noted that other committees, Food Pantry, Family Promise, Community Lunch all fall under the umbrella of Human Concerns. However, there is no leadership accountable to the Council from Human Concerns. Discussion followed.

Stewardship: Patrice followed the previous discussion with Fellowship ministry is growing and there are good turnouts for events. The third weekend of the month is slated for gathering, with the exceptions of special events, holidays/Holy Days. There will be no Fellowship in October. Patrice pointed out the new Web site and the “get involved” tab. Greg recommended that PC members take time this week to look over the descriptions of the areas of involvement for parishioners to consider. Making it clearer of what and who are needed, possible time commitment, etc. Patrice noted that the Time & Talent or STEWARDSHIP FAIR, will be the weekend of February 7th & 8th, 2026. There will be special attention to make sure there are no conflicts this time. In addition, Welcoming Ministry was revived with Erin volunteering to start the process anew.

With the conversation continuing to the New Web Site: it is much easier to locate information. Discussion followed with suggestions for event calendar, for all 3 parishes so are aware before it is placed in the bulletin. Constant Contact and Flock Note were also brought forth to share information with the 3 parishes. This will need further consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

- Kathy gave an update on the memorial pathway investigation that she and the ad hoc committee. Mary Markham, Mary Pratt, Steve Feye and Karen Hoezel have been looking into. They anticipate a report back by the October meeting.
- Kathy gave the current activities taking place regarding the Turkey Dinner on October 19th. The “Merch Store” will be opening soon with St. T’s apparel and **new** this time will be **Fish Fry** merch.
- Mary Markham reported that the APC/Deanery will be meeting again. Archbishop Grob met with the executive board members and was happy to see that there is a willingness to continue with this vital communication tool. Mary will continue as our representative.
- Darlene explained that there is progress being made for the History Hall with a designer who would like to see what we need and let us know if it is workable (within budget). Greg Wallace volunteered to also be on the ad hoc committee. Darlene will set up a meeting.
- Fr. Jordan requested time to discuss the “Rosary Board” and the placement of it. After discussion, it was determined that Fr. Jordan will make contact to share the PC’s desire to move forward with the placement.
- Meeting Calendar for the rest of 2025 has been set. Noted at the end of these minutes
- Church Restoration: More information was presented regarding restoration and property and maintenance projects.
- Newsletter: Kathy and Jodie were given many ideas for the upcoming Newsletters.

The meeting ended with Glory Be to the Father. Meeting ended at 8:05 om

SEP 25th JOINT MEETING @ St. James-6:00 pm

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Respectfully submitted: Darlene Sterzinger