

**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**  
**13 January 2026**

Meeting opened 6:07pm

- Opening prayer - McKinzie Murley
- In attendance: Meeting lead by Gary Jones

Fr. Balachandra Miriyala	Absent	Mike Keohane (27)	Absent
Todd Giefer, President (26)	Absent	Laura Mack (27)	Present
Gary Jones, Vice President (28)	Present	Jon Smrtic (26)	Present
Stephanie Pierce, Secretary (26)	Absent	Jeannine Edmonds, Finance Council	Present
John Beshenich (28)	Present	Carolyn Klemp, Business Manager	Absent
Marty Brown (26)	Present	Joan Leonard, Dir of Liturgical Music	Present
Glenn Dreiling (28)	Present	Carrie Mathews, PLC	Present
Julie Foresee (28)	Present	McKinzie Murley, Director RE/Youth	Present
Katie Frandsen (27)	Present		
Van Bert (27)	Present		

1. Review and approval of previous meeting's minutes - no objections, approved.
2. Old business:
  - a. None
3. Organization Requests/Updates/Reports:
  - a. Capital Campaign - Jeannine Edmonds
    - Jeannine reports that as of this weekend, \$899,564K pledged with \$202,193K received in cash.
    - Meeting with CC Ambassadors is scheduled for 5pm on Ash Wed (before 6:30pm Mass). Bill Mahoney will give an update and Ambassadors may have their parishioner call list reshuffled to other ambassadors.
    - Campaign solicitation will pause during the month of February due to Archbishop's Call to Share Campaign.
    - Question was asked if the parish is penalized if we don't meet this year's Call to Share goal due to parishioners pledging to Capital Campaign.
  - b. Building Committee - Katie Frandsen
    - The architecture firm met with the Lansing City Codes department. There is no indication of any foreseeable problems, feels things will be fine and it will be a smooth process.

c. Liturgical Committee:

- Next meeting is Jan 27th to finalize Ash Wed Mass and Lent
- Lenten soup suppers and Stations of the Cross will begin on Feb 25 and groups have been contacted by Carrie to lead.

d. Finance Committee: Jeannie

- The monthly report was emailed by Caryolyn. Please reach out to Carolyn if you are not receiving copies of reports.
- Currently a little behind on normal offertory but not concerned. There is a bit of wiggly room but we are keeping an eye on things.
- Please check with your liaisons of parish life committees for any financial requests. A joint PC and Finance meeting will be on Feb 17th to present those requests. The finance committee will work on creating a new budget following the joint meeting.

e. Religious Education - McKinzie

- Faith formation classes will resume this weekend.
- Confirmation class will attend retreat this weekend at Prairie Star Ranch
- Another offer for the Youth minister (name withheld at this time) position has been made. Just waiting for a response. If accepted, the potential start date will be April.

F. Bala Bash Feb 14th - Carrie

- Approximately 50 tickets remain. Tickets are \$40 each due to lower costs from our food vendor.
- Still looking for a few more donated gift cards for the wine pull game.
- Donations (baskets, wine, etc) can be dropped off starting Jan 25th through the week of Bala Bash.
- Gary Jones has offered to donate clear cups for wine.
- Next committee meeting is Jan 27th at 6pm

4. Calendar Forecast:

a. The calendar is always available on the website.

- Wed Jan 14 - Funeral Mass for Arlene Wightman
- Thu Jan 15 - Funeral Mass for Chris Jensen
- Jan 17/18 - bonus donut Sunday thanks to generous parishioner donation
- Mon Jan 19 - Martin Luther King Jr Day - OFFICE CLOSED
- Thu Jan 22 - Blood Drive at Parish Hall 1-6pm
- Wed Jan 28 - KFL March and Rally for Life in Topeka OFFICE CLOSED
- Fri Jan 30 - Father Bala returns
- Sat Jan 31 - Ministry Training (new and current), see calendar for ministry meeting time for the day
- Mar 18-19th Altar Society Feast of St Joseph

5. New Business:

a. Upcoming events/issues:

- Stations and Soup Supper for Lent will start on Feb 25th. Carrie has contacted groups to lead each week.
- Parish is still folks at the 5pm Mass to be AED trained. 5pm Mass also has the greatest need for volunteer ministers.
- Carrie will be creating a “Clean up To do check list” so that all groups that use the parish hall for meetings/gatherings are asked to return the hall to its original state.
- Request for Stephanie to email to PC members the liaison list for parish life committees to that PC members can contact those committees for any financial requests for this upcoming year.

6. Next Meeting: 10 February 2026 after 5pm Mass

Meeting closed at 6:38pm