Pastoral Council Meeting,

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Agenda

1. Opening Prayer
   - Synodal Prayer (Prayed as a Group, prayer is in your binder)

2. Welcome
   - Congratulations and Welcome to all members
   - Introductions of members who were not at the informational meeting

3. Approve the Previous Meeting Minutes (There are no minutes to approve at this meeting, the following is for new member information)
   - Purpose of approving the minutes
     i. The minutes provide a record of the meeting proceedings (the minutes are sent to the parish secretary to keep on file and are available for parishioners to view)
     ii. Members have an opportunity to note amendments before formal approval
     iii. The minutes will then be approved by one member and seconded by an additional member in order for the minutes to be approved
     iv. By approving the minutes, you are confirming that the minutes accurately reflect the proceedings from the previous meeting

4. Review Calendar
   - Note the Wednesday summer meeting work session dates
     i. June 10, 2026
     ii. July 8, 2026
     iii. August 12, 2026
   - September 9, 2026, (Recorded incorrectly in past calendar)

5. Review Charter
   - Review all sections of the Charter
   - Refer to/highlight the handout in binder from Tammy Graves, Projects Director for the Diocese of Grand Rapids, entitled ***Parish Pastoral Council Formation Sessions***
   - We will begin praying using the Lectio Divina format at the meeting of August 12, 2026
   - Review pages 1 and 2 only, more in depth as we begin to work on items A-E at July 8th meeting
     i. Focusing on *Role of Pastoral Council* items A through E
     ii. Refer to the document "***Vision and Criteria for Vital Parishes***" (Handout is in your binder; Review prior to July 8th meeting for discussion)
     iii. Look at ***Rooted in Christ*** handout, focusing on Holy Redeemer Parish results (Handout is in your binder; Review prior to July 8th meeting for discussion)

iv. Start to think about parish strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats
    1. SWOT diagram (will provide handout for July 8th meeting)

6. Items from previous meetings and new information
    - Safety and Security Update (Jim Hulst and John Pitsch reporting please)
        - Update from April 27th meeting
        - Chairpersons selected?
        - Is the committee ready to be independent or still values PC support in person?

    - Live Streaming of Mass in Shepherd's Hall
        - Purpose: To give families with young children, who may need extra space to move around, a location to view the Mass by live stream. This will allow families to continue to participate in the liturgy while also attending to their children
        - Fr. Victor to speak with Company to set up streaming this Friday, June 5, 2026
        - Fr. Victor confident live streaming will go quickly after this meeting.

7. Leadership Get Together
    - Father Victor and Colleen Bryan (Chairperson of Community Life) are organizing a get-together
    - It will be for **new and outgoing** members from
        - Pastoral Council
        - Finance Council
        - Outreach Committee
        - Stewardship Committee
    - The goal of this event is for Father Victor to get to know new council/committee members and thank outgoing members who have worked with Fr. Victor since his arrival last July.
    - This event is for members only, spouses will not be included at this time.
    - Suggested date is Sunday, October 4, 2026 at 6:00pm
    - Invitations will be sent by email and USPS mail for members to RSVP to Chris Hunt

8. Stewardship Committee will be sending out Time and Talent Surveys this Fall instead of this past Spring, not sure why yet

9. Pastoral Council and Finance Commissioning Mass tentative date is Saturday July 11, at the 4:30 Mass.
        - Fr. Victor needs to verify this date with Finance Council
        - Father Victor will be on a Pilgrimage June 14th through 29th for travel to Italy.
        - I will confirm this date as soon as Father Victor lets me know

10. Closing Prayer: The Prayer to St. Michael (As a group, handout in your binder)

Next Meeting is Wednesday, July 8th, after 6:30 pm Mass 2026