

Dodge East Parishes Joint Pastoral Council Minutes

January 28, 2025

In attendance: Fr. Miniatt, Fr. Ed, Fr. Mark, Robert Scott, David Streblow, Zachary Doll, Chuck Dineen, Ralph Holzmann, Daniel Hoffman, Tracy Nadolski, Rick Steger, Michele Burns, Eileen Lifke, Kimberly Cinnamon, Nancy Bogenschneider, Steve Wessing, Kathy Sterr

Absent: Nick Stoeckel, Nathan Waas, Rick Torn, Sandy Vercauteren

Guests: Nicole Glogovsky, Rudy Jaeger

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 by Father Miniatt.

Opening prayer: Fr. Miniatt led Vespers, including prayer intentions.

With one correction, a motion was made by Father Miniatt to approve the minutes of the October 22 meeting, seconded by Robert Scott. Minutes approved.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Old Business

It was stated that there is no need to appoint a representative for the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council, as it has been disbanded for the time being.

No questions were brought forward regarding the presentation by Tom Fredrickson's presentation at our last meeting.

New Business

Pastor's Report

- Father Miniatt reported on his recent meeting with Fr. Nathan Reesmann, Vicar for clergy. They discussed things that are going well, as well as some of the challenges.
- Father Miniatt shared some thoughts on the Installation Mass of Archbishop Grob.
- Father Ed retires at the end of June. Father Miniatt is hopeful we will get another priest to replace him. We should have information about that by the end of April.

Other

- A discussion was held about what things Fr. Miniatt needs to know, what the council members need to know, and what people in the pews need to know. Information will be forwarded so the websites can be updated to have names of the current pastoral council members. Also, the idea of one bulletin for all parishes was presented.
- Council members were challenged to respond to the Lord's call to worship God, proclaim the Word, build community, and reach out to others. How will each of us do those things?
- Dates for the Finance Councils and the Pastoral Council were worked out.

Committee Reports

- Finance Council: Next meeting date – Feb. 25, 2025.
- Prayer and Worship: There was discussion and feedback regarding the Christmas schedule for 2024. An upcoming meeting is scheduled for February 12 to work out schedules for Holy Week and Easter.
- Christian Formation: There will be an all-parish meeting on January 30 to discuss how to move forward in our parishes. We are proposing to combine the Lomira and Mayville programs, and to hold those classes in Mayville in the upcoming school year.
- Human Concerns: no update
- Stewardship committee: needs to be formed.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 8 @ 6:00 at St. Andrew Hall in LeRoy.

Closing prayer was led by Fr. Mark, and meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Sterr