

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: 01/19/26 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Council Members Present: Fr. Fred, Dan, Joe, Barry, Lynne, Lisa, Deb, Wendy, Leigh Anne, Bob-
President

Absent: Fr. Ryan

Minutes: Leslie

Opening Prayer: Fr. Fred led the meeting with a prayer followed with reflection among the members.

Review and Approval of Minutes: The minutes from Dec. 15, 2025 were approved.

Security and Safety Plan: Update and Presentation:

- Jeff Langhorst who is heading up our Security and Safety Plan provided information gathered from a variety of sources including parishioner feedback which may be used to increase campus safety and security. A committee will be formed to address safety awareness and preparedness. Some general steps in the process of implementing a good plan may include: attention to our exterior campus with increased lighting; training staff to establish procedures for responding to a variety of circumstances; on-going training for parishioners who may be a part of this safety preparedness; educate parishioners to be aware of this process for safety and security.

Parish Council Membership Update:

- This meeting was Bob's final meeting on the Parish Council.
- Bob expressed his gratitude to the Council members for their active support and friendship he received holding the position of Parish Council President. Council members expressed their appreciation for Bob's leadership and friendship. They gave him a gift of appreciation.
- Dan will fill in as President until a permanent member is appointed.

Review of the Planning Calendar for 2026:

- Wednesday January 28th is the deadline for making a reservation to attend the Clairvaux Legacy Dinner Event on January 30th. Those attending will learn how legacy gifts can strengthen the future of St. Bernard of Clairvaux through their estate or planned giving.
- Key events during Lent and Easter were noted reviewing the 2026 Calendar Planning Guide.
- February 3rd – Feb 16th Fr. Ryan and a group will be on a mission trip to the Philippines.
- February 7th & 8th Pancake Breakfast before Lent
- March 7th & 8th First Scrutiny
- March 9th through 11^h Parish Mission

Evangelization/Discipleship – Divine Intimacy/Spiritual Friendship/Witness:

- Hallow will offer a Lent Challenge- Pray 40 – The Return. Hallow will provide challenges for Lent, Easter, Summer and Fall. Prayer group intercessions are going well on Hallow.

- Christ in Our Neighborhood (CION). Dan presented a plan to have another event to present CION to our parishioners. Dan presented an outline for presenting this parish ministry/activity through announcements in the bulletin; access on the Website, public announcements at Mass, and at the end of Mass a brief 2 minute overview of CION with an invitation to attend a workshop on a specific date.

Finance Administration update:

- Fr. Fred reported a plan is underway to paint the hall and office and perhaps some needed specific areas of the church.
- The mosaic for St. John Vianney is going well.
- Outdoor shrine project is underway; we will need approval from the city of Scottsdale.
- Playground is moving along well. We are considering the necessity of fencing in the area as it is close to the parking lot.
- We are exploring the use of solar power while targeting the resurfacing of the parking lot.

Closing Prayer: Bob ended the meeting with a prayer.

Upcoming Council Meetings: next meeting dates:

- NEW date: Feb.23rd at 4:30 PM
March 16th at 4:30 PM

Submitted by: Leslie Arnison, recording secretary