

July 8, 2025, Holtman Hall Classroom 7:30 PM

Mission Statement- In the growing community of Rockne, TX, the Sacred Heart Pastoral Council shall be an advisory and service group to assist the pastor. By word and example, the council should promote the growth of faith and love in the parish.

Members Attending-Kayla Voigt, Linda Kutach, Ben Guiterrez, Rommy McDonald, Arthur Cisneros, Patty Meuth, Janet Warren, Fr. Darius

Opening Prayer

Approval Of Minutes- Minutes were approved

Welcome new council members- Kayla Bartsch Voigt, Arthur Cisneros, Janet Warren

Review of Excel worksheet- No items were added to the sheet

Pastor's Report- Diocese- There is a new bishop- Bishop Daniel Garcia. The diocese is asking for help with Catholic Charities of Central TX and the San Antonio diocese for relief for the July 4 flood victims. Sacred Heart Church (SHC) will be making an appeal. Catholic School Administration is reviewing how SB 2 (School Choice) will benefit them and homeschoolers. Katie Hellums will lead this project with Janet Warren, Linda Kutach, Megan Hammons, & Bill Evans. Carlos Acutus will be canonized September 17. SHC local- There was a church renovation meeting June 29. Veronica is going to include a Spanish message on the church phone voice mail. Patsy is working on the Holy Hour for Vocations.

Audience Comments- Jackie May thanked past and new members for serving on the Pastoral Council. The Breath of Life Ministry will meet July 13 at String Prairie. Jackie said the movie theater is not distributing the movie about Carlos Acutus yet.

Committee Reports:

- Liturgical- Continues to write updates for guidelines. There will be a sign-up for new volunteers at the ministry fair as well as on another weekend in September. Training will be scheduled in the fall. There will be a new calendar for the last 4 months of the year that will be emailed in August for EM assignments.
- Lectors/Greeters/Ushers
- Sacristan
- Social
- Education- There will be a few teachers who will be bilingual for CCD.
- Facilities- There is going to be a Bazaar meeting on July 9. The Bazaar is August 31. There are issues with the septic tank that need to be worked on.
- Hispanic- A representative from the diocese, Sr. Lucio, came to present an available grant for developing leaders. Out of the 3 courses, we qualified for 2 in the area of parochial

and music ministry. This online course requires a laptop and starts in September. It is open to everyone with a Hispanic background from 18-35 years of age. The committee is starting to work on Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration for Dec. 12. Rommy will ask Dcn. Alvin to help in coordinating it. There is also discussion about starting a Posada in December. Fund raising will be used to help with all costs.

Old Business:

- September 7 is the Ministry Fair- It will be in the Old School Hall from 8:30-12:30. An email has already been sent to the committee chairs giving more information. 22 tables will be needed and Susan Masur will need a couple of people on Sept. 6 to help with setup.
- Deacon Alvin's retirement- he does not want any celebration
- Internet service- SHC has started using Starlink
- Parish calendar- This can help with communication. String Prairie is using E-Catholic and SHC is paying the \$600 yearly fee. In an email text, James Page said Ministry Platform could be an option and Kathy Bartsch may have some experience with this.
- Security

New Business:

- Selection of chair, selection/voting of co-chair, election of secretary- Procedure for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary- Ben Guiterrez was appointed chair by Fr. Darius. Rommy McDonald was voted in by the council as vice-chair. Linda Kutach was elected secretary by the council.
- Town Hall Meeting for Church Renovations- The meeting for church renovations had a good turnout. Janet and Kathy Bartsch will be developing a survey template for parishioners to get more input on needs and wants for the renovation. Bridgit Wolf could attach the survey to the Annual Financial Statement. There will also be a labeled box in the church for comments. There will be another town hall meeting.
- A suggestion was made to have Briannah Halm to research options for communication/calendar
- The church will be 150 years old in 2026. Linda will check with the Rockne Historical Society if there will be a celebration.

Schedule for the next meeting- October 14, 2025 7:30 pm Closing prayer