

**St. Joachim's Church Pastoral Council**  
**Minutes for Sept. 5th, 2019**

Members present: Father William Becker, Karen Scanlon, Carla Tentis, Cathy Reiter, Bruce Rott, Pete Schouweiler Tom Leisen Members absent: Sarah Ring, Mike Andring, Deacon John DeStazio.  
Visitors: None.

Carla called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The Gospel of Luke 14: 25-33 was read and reflected upon.

The May minutes were approved by consensus.

Russ Meyer's term on Pastoral Council is up. Thank you for serving! Father asked Mike Andring and he has agreed to joining the council. Please welcome him!

**Financial Report:** Pastoral Council members reviewed the June & July St. Joachim financial statements.

**Faith Formation Report:** Sharon reports that she has catechists but may need additional substitutes. Teacher meetings are planned for next week and there will be an Open House the week before the Fall Festival. Confirmation is scheduled for May 27<sup>th</sup> and will be held at St. Joachim for St. Joachim, Conception and St. Felix. We participated in Feed My Starving Children and had 50+ people help out. In August we filled a coach bus to go to a Twins game and then stayed for a post-game program featuring live worship music by the band PraiseLive & then heard testimonies by a few of the MN Twins players. Children's Liturgy of the Word starts 9/8 and Grace Ranta is joining the team.

**Facility Planning** – About \$250,000 has been pledged but we are hoping for some more participation. Father is creating a committee to research the next steps

**Diocesan Developments** - Negotiations with insurance companies ongoing.

**Parish Engagement:** We are starting a new book called "Divine Renovation" by Fr. James Mallon and we will discuss the Introduction and Chapter 1 at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 and closed with prayer.

~ Respectfully submitted by Karen Scanlon