

# Benedictine Catholic Communities of Saint Joseph & Saint John the Baptist Joint Parish Advisory Council

Thursday, January 16, 2025

6:00 to 7:30 pm

Saint Joseph, Heritage Hall

**Meeting called by:** Scott Wallner

**Type of meeting:** Joint ACC Meeting

**Note taker:** Julie Ortloff

## Agenda Items

	Action	Presenter(s)	Time (on clock)	Notes
1. Welcome		Scott Wallner	6:00	
2. Prayer		Scott Wallner	6:03	Prayer "For All Things New"
3. Introduction of Members		Scott Wallner	6:05	
4. Agenda & Prior Minutes Review		Scott Wallner	6:10	1Bob Mayers 2Mike Quinlivan Approved as written.
5. Discussion Items:			6:15	
a. Future ACC Meeting Dates	Informational	Scott Wallner	6:45	March 20, 2025 at SJB May 15, 2025 at St. Joseph 5:30 meal followed by meeting at 6:00. Jacob Fink scheduled to be chair of STJ next year.

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b. Joint Emergency Services at Catholic Charities Volunteer Month	Informational	Mike Quinlivan	6:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACC project</li> <li>Volunteer spots are filling up.</li> <li>Previous meeting at Heritage Hall. SJ members attended, the committee feels it is important that this be a blended committee for the ACC, alternating meeting locations between the 2 parishes.</li> <li>Lenten SSS to possibly split between the two parish locations in 2026?</li> <li>Peggy, submit the speakers to Julie for advertisement. Speakers are set.</li> <li>Devise a strategy to involve people from both parishes. Maybe an introduction in the bulletin, an invitation to new members.</li> <li>Maybe a personal email invitation that goes out to the entire parish.</li> <li>Post a bulletin notice in the ACC section of the bulletin, and make it an open invitation to join.</li> <li>Follow up to the February volunteer month, and have a supper for everyone who has volunteered and let them share their experience. Network.</li> <li>Posters photographing fellow parishioners actively serving, post them online as well and Tess is willing to send an article to the Newsleader.</li> <li>Post a thank you to the volunteers.</li> </ul>
c. Guiding change/All Things New document from the Diocese of St. Cloud	Discussion	Scott Wallner	7:15	<p>A handbook is being developed by the Diocese to create parameters for the plan each ACC will be expected to develop by December for the future vision of our ACC. Fewer priest, weddings, funds, underused spaces, etc. There is a Podcast to listen to, with Brenda and Bishop Neery on the St. Cloud Diocese website.</p> <p>Possibly in March, the perimeters will be established and will be able to begin our planning. Interested people from finance, ministry, and leadership. How will contributions look in 5 years? How will volunteerism look in 5 years?</p>

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d. ACC website		Lisa and Julie	7:20	Both parishes need to update their websites. Possibly an ACC website would work. Recommend that it be user friendly, more simplified, include a joint calendar. Lisa and Julie will meet and work on what are we looking for and what improvements do we need. Standardized landing page, and then separate information for both parishes. Usability will have to be friendly. Jay Nix can help. March agenda will talk more about a joint website. Cost, functionality, etc. links for the YouTube channel and online mass. Mobile and web capabilities.
e. Fr. Brad's Insight	Discussion	Fr. Brad	7:25	Mass times. Daily mass on weekdays come with conflicts. Earlier on weekdays: Maybe 8 or 8:30 am. Maybe both parish masses should be scheduled at the same time, to make it most welcoming and clear communications for both parishes. Fr. Brad will poll daily mass attendees. Abbey Church will possibly be changing their schedule: Midday mass and prayer combined, eliminating the 5pm mass possible in the future. What about creating a gap between Sunday masses: maybe 8:30 and 10:30? Father would have more time. One Sunday a month for father to have a substitute—so he can focus on FF. Possibly a sub clergy—possibly from SOT. How can we support Father Brad? Things are going well.
f. March agenda items:				Website design options/pricing. Daily mass times/Sunday Mass Time gap for Father Guiding Change/All things New Documents Update on the February impact of the Volunteer at Catholic Charities. SJB annual workshop and survey results, share our findings. ACC Retreat/goal setting: future event. Send Jacob Fink a copy of our survey.
6. Adjournment				1Dan 2Jacob Adjourned.

**Attendance:**

<b>A/P/V</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>A/P/V</b>	<b>Name</b>
	<b>Saint Joseph</b>		<b>Saint John the Baptist</b>
A	Budde, Dede (SJ Trustee)	P	Dan Backes (Trustee)
A	Bechtold, Bruce (SJ Trustee)	A	Peternell, Heidi (Trustee)
P	Colberg, Shawn	P	Bob Mayers
P	Barton, Lisa (SJ Business Administrator)	P	Wallner, Scott (Chair)
P	Nix, Jay	P	Koltes, Tess (Faith Formation Coordinator)
P	Fink, Jacob—Chair		Vacancy
P	Fortier, Tina	P	Ortloff, Julie (Business Administrator)
A	Imholte, Bernie	P	Jenniges, Fr. Brad (Pastor)
A	O'Donnell, Kristen		
P	Jenniges, Fr. Brad (Pastor)		