

Approved Pastoral Council Minutes for June 4, 2026 Meeting, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Vision: To be a growing community that inspires all to follow Jesus with a spirit of inclusion, compassion and service.

Mission: We encourage all to deepen their relationship with Jesus through scripture, prayer, stewardship, and ministry to others.

Tag Line: Follow Jesus Serve Others.

Meeting Notes

Attending: Father Joy Thachil (Parish Priest), Mike Flaherty, (Trustee), Rita McGann (Director of Administrative Services), Dave Knoll (Parish Council Chair), Ellen Park (Secretary), Jason Metz, Sharon Wrotecki, Rachel Henderson, Jim Schutte, Mickey Holtz, Fidel Mangwiza, John Plant, Dave Chudy, Carol Van Duser, Anne Dettlaff, welcome new member Anna Gillett Kaurich

Excused: Paula Lucey, Dan Ryan

Absent:

Because the Discernment process lasted longer than anticipated, Dave Knoll proceeded to the presentation of reports.

Reports

Father Joy:

- Thanked all those who organized and participated in the Discernment Process;
- Handed out sheets to be read by members, from the archdiocese, regarding Council norms, distinguishing between the purpose of the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council.
- The 10:45am Mass, celebrating all new graduates, is on June 28; if interested, there is a form to be completed and given to Kathy.
- Interviewing for the Pastoral Associate position is ongoing, and is expected to be completed by July 1.
- The updating of the parish census will be completed by the end of the month.
- Have just submitted our budget to the archdiocese.

Rita McGann

- Comparing revenues to prior year: numbers are so close that this year's donations are basically the same as last year.
- Purchasing a new sound system for the church is ongoing: a provider has been chosen for the project but all documentation must be affirmed by the archdiocese.

Old Business

- Stewardship: A subcommittee has been established to further stewardship throughout the ministries of the parish. John, Carol and Ellen volunteered to represent the Council, adding three additional parishioners onto this subcommittee as well. John noted that it is the responsibility of the Pastoral Council to ask ministries what they need, acting as a liaison between the parish and the ministries, the goal being to increase parishioner activity in ministries as needed.

Council members joined in Prayers for Others; Father Joy led members in prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm; the next meeting is on Thursday, August 6, 2026.