

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

January 13, 2026

**7:00pm – Fireside Room**

### Meeting Minutes

Attended: Fr. Jim, Elisabeth Johnston, Jill Josey, Jim Wyzlic, John Brady, Denise Brady, Sherry Szymanski, Deb Beaman, Kyle Livingstone

Excused: Joe Bertrand, Mark Tuttle, Donna Delfavero

1. Opening Prayer: Jim
2. Review & Approval of Minutes: Motioned and approved.
3. Chairman's Comments: None
4. Fr. Jim's Comments
  - a. AOD Restructuring Update: Fr. Jim provided an update on the AOD restructuring process. Fr. Jim explained that we are in Phase 1 of the restructuring process. Priests have submitted information about themselves. This week is the Pastorate Discernment which AOD priests committed to attending for three days. Fr. Jim will be attending. Listening sessions will begin next (Phase 2) and St. Edith's listening sessions will be in June (suggested dates were submitted). Priests will move or be reassigned July of 2027 (or in between if there is an emergency). Fr. Jim provided a handout about the process too (attached, pages 1-2).
5. Committee Reports
  - a. Christian Service: Denise - Nothing new to report outside of the minutes from last Thursday's meeting.
  - b. Education: Deb - Reported that RE classes and school are back in session.
  - c. Finance: John reported -
    - i. The security officer was hired. A fee will be added to tuition next year for school families for the security officer.
    - ii. St. Edith is trying to keep tuition comparable to St. Michael's which is a neighboring school.
  - d. Seniors: No report
  - e. Workshop: No report

- f. Evangelization: No report
- g. Social Worker: Provided written report prior to the meeting.

6. Old Business: None

7. New Business

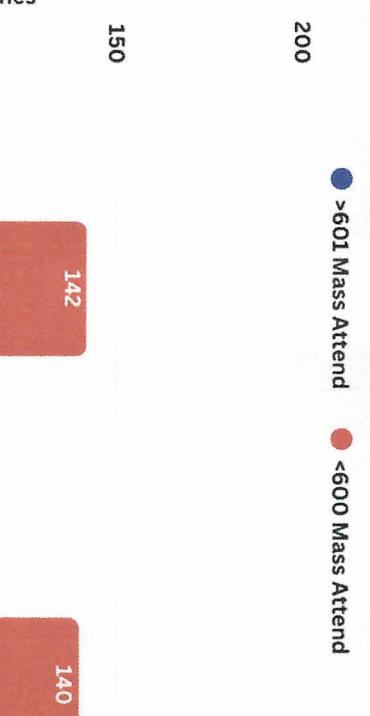
- a. Parishioners' Comments
  - i. Parishioners have asked questions and expressed concerns about the AOD restructuring.
  - ii. There is a pest problem in the kitchen. Make sure to take home leftover food and/or properly wrap it and store it in the refrigerator. Do not prop open doors because pests can enter!

8. February 10, 2026 Meeting prayer volunteers

- a. Opening: Denise
- b. Closing: Kyle

9. Closing Prayer: Jill

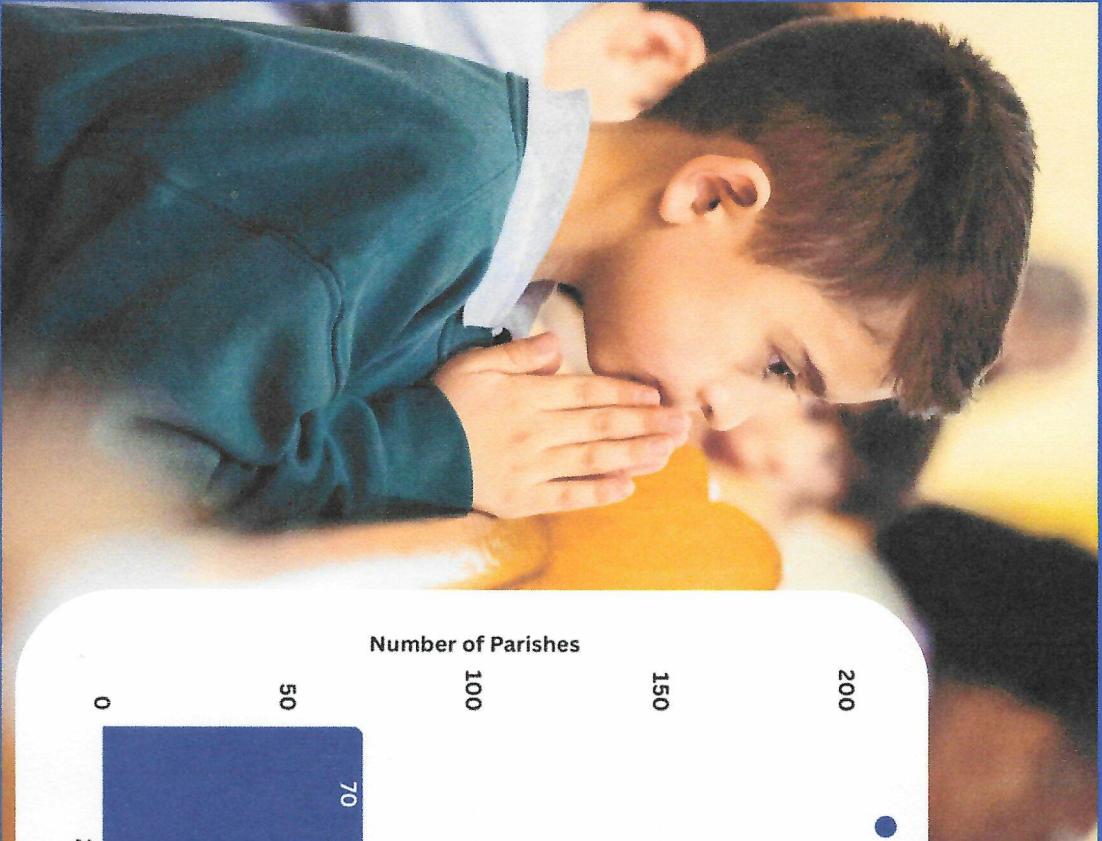
# Mass Attendance



67% of parishes  
have fewer than  
600 attendees at  
weekend Masses

## 2029 Projections

- 48 Parishes Grow
- 164 Parishes Shrink



# Restructuring Process

## PROPOSED TIMELINE

PARISHES		PRIESTS		CURIA	
Phase 1: Kick-off and Discern	Priest Gathering Oct 2025	Priest Leadership Inventory	Gathering Assessment Begins	Listening Session	Curia Realignment Announced
	Commitments Nov-Dec 2025	Nov-Dec 2025	Assessment Begins	Priest/Leaders Parish Communities	Curia Realignment Announced
	Pastorate Discernment Jan 2026			May/Jun 2026	Spring 2027
				Assignments Announced	Implementation July 1, 2027
				Assignments Announced	
				Curia Realignment Announced	
				Spring 2027	