

MINUTES  
IHM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
January 29, 2025  
7:00 PM  
Parish Office Conference Room

Attendees: Paula Schaefer, Fr Pat Biedelman, Ralph Nowak, George Snyder, Jim Roe, Cindy Harkness, Lee Rhea, Patrick Rodgers, Mike Wessel, Ann Wojtalik, Anna Harvey (via phone)

Meeting begins: 7:01pm

Opening Prayer – Ann Wojtalik

A. Approval of Previous Minutes – October and December meeting

1. Both Council Mtg minutes approved

B. Key question/issue for discussion:

1. Please review the attached homily from Christmas 2024 before the meeting. Fr. Pat received lots of feedback and many said they would like to be part of what he is talking about – open doors and open hearts. How do we incorporate this as part of our planning?
2. All interviews should be complete. Let's discuss general impressions of interviews, initial thoughts and any recurring themes.
  - i. Discussion of impression of in-person experiences during parishioner interviews
    1. Parishioners honored to be included, conversations overflowed expected responses
    2. Parishioners wondered about follow-up on how feedback would be used
  3. A lot of positive information contained in the consent agenda that should be shared as part of the strategic plan.

C. Consent Agenda

1. Discussion on current budgetary status of stewardship YTD

D. Word on the Street – Father Pat asks council members to share what they have been hearing around the community – can be positive and areas for improvement

E. Discussion items from council members

Next meeting: February 26, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:36pm