

**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
**Pastoral and Finance Council Meeting Minutes**  
May 14, 2026 – 7:00-8:00 pm

Attendance: Fr Isaiah Schick, Mike Sweeney, Rob Buehler, Julie Gruenhagen,  
Austin Hagen, Cathy Solum, Rudy Walz  
Absent: Doug Raether,

The meeting opened with prayer.

Financial Reports:

Mike Sweeney shared YTD Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Report with comparisons of previous and current year and budget for next year. He reviewed the report, answered questions, and explained how next year's budgeted amounts were formulated.

An updated CSA report has not been received from the diocese for FY2026.

Updates:

Renovation Project/Sacristy – Project is still moving forward at a slower-than-planned pace. Blueprints as submitted were not approved at state. Currently waiting state approval of revised blueprints before getting revised building quotes.

Staffing Changes – The recently announced pastoral changes (reduced to 2 priests) and other changes in the office staff throughout the year also effect the finances; e.g., changes in total work hours, leave of absence, etc. Mike Sweeney has submitted his resignation as Business Administrator for family pursuits but is working to find and will train his successor. He said he will always be “just a call away” to answer questions as needed.

PushPay – Fr. Isaiah Schick and Mike Sweeney shared information about other programs offered by PushPay, beyond the online giving, that will be forthcoming.

A date was not set for the next meeting of the Pastoral & Finance Council.

The meeting adjourned with a closing prayer.

Recording Secretary: Julie Gruenhagen  
Submitted by Council Chair: Rudy Walz