

Unapproved Minutes from February 17, 2026

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

Members Present: Stewart Bober, Bill Stroup, Fr. Brian, Regina Sharpe, Lisa Briggs, Brendalynn Barlow

Members Absent: Dcn. Bryan, Debra Wing, Lydia Diem

Meeting began at 7:20 with a prayer.

The Parish Council Report from 1/20/2026 was approved with no corrections.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Lenten Project: “Resurrection Envelopes”. Lisa has set up a table in the Family Life Center with the “Resurrection Envelopes” pre-addressed in alphabetical order. Parishioners are asked to sign their name next to the child’s name they are going to sponsor. Lisa has a list of ideas of items parishioners can fill the envelope with. Parishioners are asked to mail out their envelope near the end of Lent to insure the child receives it in time for Easter.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Light: Bill suggested that a light be put up on the back corner side of the building. He will set it up to come on at the same time as the other outdoor lights.

2. Irving Houle “Francis”: It has been asked if Good Shepherd would let a speaker come on behalf of the Cause for Sainthood for Irving Houle who had the gift of the stigma and healing. Irving is from Escanaba, Michigan and during his life traveled to many churches to offer his healing ministry, including Good Shepherd. Bill said he will try to contact the speaker and see what dates are available.

PARISH ORGANIZATION

1. Knights of Columbus: Deacon Bryan Root (Bill Stroup)
 - a. The Blessing of the Bikes is scheduled for Saturday, May 30.
 - b. The Family of the Month was Pat & Cindie Allett and the Knight of the Month was Don Fyock.
 - c. Jim Hall is promoting the Heartbeat’s Annual Fundraiser that will be held on Saturday, March 14 at St. John’s Fenton Hall.

COMMISSIONS:

1. Finance Council: Stewart Bober
 - a. The most current Sunday & Holy Day Contribution Report was handed out. To date we are approximately \$7200.00 above our budgeted goal
2. Worship: Fr. Brian
 - a. The Mass for Ash Wednesday, February 18, will be at 6:30 p.m.
 - b. Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00 p.m. on Fridays during Lent.

BINGO: Debra Wing

- a. No Report.

YOUTH GROUP: David Smith

1. The Youth Group will be volunteering at the North End Soup Kitchen on Saturday, March 7.
2. David would like the Youth Group to take a Sunday morning in Lent and recite the Rosary in Latin before Mass.
3. David would also like the Youth Group to participate in the Stations of the Cross one Friday during Lent.
4. The Youth Group is making plans to join with St. Robert's Youth this summer and watch *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy.

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Lisa M. Briggs

1. Lisa reported that she purchased a Mass Kit, for students making their First Communion this year, to take home to make up for lost class time due to snow days and holidays.
2. The Rite of Choice Mass will be on Sunday, February 22. After Mass there will be a meeting and breakfast for parents and sacramental prep students.
3. The First Communion/First Reconciliation Retreat will be on Saturday, April 18.
4. First Communion will be on Sunday, April 19.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Brendalynn Barlow, Regina Sharpe, Lydia Diem

1. No Report.

The meeting ended at 8:00 p.m. with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Kaczmarczyk