



<p><b>d) Conversation Café: Does God want us to suffer?</b> Father Jim advised that the recent session on suffering was well-attended and explored what redemptive suffering is and how it can benefit us and others; the next session is on MAID on April 19<sup>th</sup> after the 12:30 Mass and will explore the Catholic perspective on this issue.</p> <p><b>e) Development and Peace:</b> Mary-Lou advised that March 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> is Development and Peace Sunday and there will be a presentation at the beginning of all Masses to honor our solidarity symbol.</p> <p><b>f) Hope and Dignity Activation Week:</b> Natalie advised that the Archdiocese has organized a week from April 18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> to provide information on life issues; three events will be hosted at OLPH: Conversation Café on April 19<sup>th</sup>, on MAID, Is Life always worth living-April 21<sup>st</sup> and on the dignity of the human person-April 22<sup>nd</sup>.</p> <p><b>9. Standing Reports:</b></p> <p><b>a) CWL:</b> Mary-Lou advised that: the CWL assisted with the K of C Valentine Dinner and Dance on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, hosted a Lenten Retreat with 84 women on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, along with K of C prepared and served 200 lunches to ICPM on March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, sent 3 greeting cards in Feb. and 3 Masses were offered. National CWL will be presenting a petition to the Federal Government on the definition of human life, and hope to involve youth in the movement.</p> <p><b>Upcoming CWL Events:</b> Will host 40 Days for Life Day of Prayer on March 13<sup>th</sup>, will lead Stations of the Cross on March 13<sup>th</sup>, will host L'Arche St. Patrick Dinner on March 15<sup>th</sup>, will host Holy Hour and offer Masses with CWL intentions for Father Len Cadieux, Donald Pomieto and James Burkinshaw on March 18<sup>th</sup>, will host Hospitality Sunday on April 5<sup>th</sup> after the 7PM Mass, Executive meeting will be on April 7<sup>th</sup> and general meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>, Masses with CWL intentions and host Holy Hour on April 15<sup>th</sup>, Diocesan Convention will be in St. Albert on April 17-18<sup>th</sup>, and Executive officers Installation will be on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 Mass.</p> <p><b>Ministry Liaison:</b> Alpha Program-there will be a post-Easter program on Seven Pillars and another program from Sept-Dec, 2026 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, and Clothing Nook-see #5-Ministry Liaison</p> <p><b>PPC Queries:</b></p> <p><b>Elevator Lift from the Foyer:</b> Would be especially helpful to disabled people-advised that renovations are coming to the foyer and it may be considered at that time-would be quite expensive</p> <p><b>Garbage Reduction Initiatives:</b> Some progress is in small areas, and those will continue; Bridget Francisco will be apprised of activities See need for a diabetic emergency kit and menstrual pads in the office, as well as increased lighting in the stairs of the foyer; issues will be referred to the maintenance committee</p>	<p>Father Jim</p> <p>Mary-Lou</p> <p>Natalie</p> <p>Mary-Lou</p>	<p>9</p>
<p><b>b) Knights of Columbus:</b> Wally advised that: K of C dinner and dance on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> was a success, and realized a profit of over \$7,000, led Stations of the Cross on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, received 8-10 applications for membership from the recent drive, post secondary scholarships are available and schools are aware of this, have a phone project to inform all knights of activities, will have a presentation at the March meeting from the Sherwood Care Redevelopment project, free throw basketball event is being planned, State Convention will be on April 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, and members assisted with food prep for the ICPM lunch on March 7<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p><b>c) Liturgy:</b> David advised that: Liturgical Ministers shared their ministry updates at the recent meeting, working with the Archdiocese IT support to consider a shared drive for storage of documents, planning details are complete for Holy Week and 2026 protocols will be distributed to all ministry leads for their members.</p>	<p>Wally</p> <p>David</p>	<p>9</p>

<p><b>d) Finance/Parish Business Report:</b> Michael advised that: the 2025 Stewardship Report will be available by Easter, Tax receipts for 2025 were mailed out, along with a thank-you note from Father Jim, work on the nave is proceeding on schedule and should be completed by Easter, replacement of the controls for the mechanical system will start in March or April, carpet in the office area will be discussed once the nave renovation is completed, and a preventative maintenance and cleaning schedule is being developed for all equipment and machines.</p>	Michael	
<p><b>e). Parish Team Update: Parish School Relations: 1 and 2:</b> Natalie advised that: Great to have Father Michael on staff, Ash Wednesday Masses at the church and schools all went smoothly, the annual EICS Faith and Wellness PD day was held here on March 6<sup>th</sup>, with a smudge ceremony and a guest speaker encouraging us to reflect on our vocations, and see Jesus in ourselves and others. Three schools are coming to OLPH for Mass on April 8<sup>th</sup>-St. Theresa, St. Nicholas, and Holy Spirit. EICS is offering RCIA for long-time Catholic staff to enter the church, and the plan is for those candidates to receive the sacraments at a school Mass</p>	Natalie	
<p><b>3) Sacraments and Funerals:</b> First Communion preparation retreat will be on March 14<sup>th</sup>, and the celebration will be on March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 60 youth are preparing for Confirmation, Baptism preparation for school-aged children will be on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 21 children have been baptized so far in 2026, one wedding was celebrated and 35 couples are preparing for marriage/con-validation, and 6 funerals were held at OLPH in 2026.</p>	Natalie	
<p><b>4) Youth Ministry:</b> The youth group will meet on March 13<sup>th</sup>, and will be making Easter cards for seniors and baking cookies for the next Pastoral Priorities Sunday, and they will lead the Stations of the Cross on March 20<sup>th</sup>.</p>	Natalie	
<p><b>5) Other Parish Activities/Events/News:</b> Sanctuary renovations in the Nave are on schedule, and Hope and Dignity Activation week is on April 18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>-see #8(f) for events at OLPH.</p>		
<p><b>f) Pastoral Priorities Report:</b> Uduak advised that Brittany Ottens will be the OLPH Synod Champion, discussion was held around the Marriage and Family Vision, and ideas were recommended for growth: Expanded preparation and enrichment programs, family catechesis opportunities, bible study sessions with child care, community building opportunities for young families, Children’s Liturgy offered outside of Mass times, formation and support for Natural Family Planning and Theology of the Body, improved follow-up systems after weddings and funerals, and additional teaching on Adoration and consideration of more family-friendly times. At the next meeting, the team will select 2-3 initiatives to implement this year. There will not be a Parish Mission this year due to renovation constraints, and planning will begin soon for a mission in future. Members are encouraged to refine ideas for marriage and family programs, review the digital prayer book and give feedback to Rita, and complete the required Praesidium courses. Father Jim will review the prayer video and work with Stefan on another one and Stefan will prepare a sample apologetics template with linked online content.</p>	Uduak	
<p><b>g) Other Business: N/A</b></p>	Uduak	
<p><b>a) Challenges and Blessings:</b></p>	All	
<p><b>b) Next PPC Meeting: April 8th, 2026-6:30PM</b></p>	Uduak	
<p><b>c) Closing Prayer:</b></p>	Father Jim	
<p><b>d) Adjournment-meeting adjourned at 8:30PM</b></p>	Uduak	
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**ACTION ITEMS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>	<b>Comments</b>
October 8th, 2025	Review the Constitution and bring comments to PPC Helen to send copy to all members	All Helen	April, 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2026			
March 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	Look for opportunities to be a Compassionate Parish	All	Continuing			
March 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Include info in the Easter Bulletin re parishioners who can volunteer to drive seniors to/from Masses	Natalie	April, 2026			
Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	Include discussion re Legion of Mary in April agenda	Uduak	April 8, 2026			
Feb. 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Ask other groups to assist with the ICPM lunch in Sept. 2026	Natalie	Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2026			
January 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Discuss with Father Jim how to proceed with parishioners who need transportation to/from weekend Masses and Communion to homes	Natalie	April 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2026			
Feb. 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Send info re garbage to Bridget Francisco in office	Mary-Lou	April 30th, 2026			