

MINUTES for PPC MEETING: June 10th, 2026

Members Present: Father Jim, Father Michael, Deacon Lynn, Uduak Akpan, Mary-Lou Veeken, Wally Sagansky, Bridget Kenny, Natalie Lavigne, Rod Randolph, Aoife Cahill, Terry Prenoslo, Marlene Pentelechuk, and Helen Doyle.

<u>AGENDA ITEM</u>	<u>LEADER</u>	<u>REF#</u>
1. Opening Prayer/Gospel Reflection	Uduak	<u>1</u>
2. Review and Approval of Agenda : the agenda was amended by adding under #9-Standing Reports: h) Constitution Review-approved as amended	Uduak	<u>2</u>
3. Review and approval of Minutes : The minutes were approved as distributed	Uduak	<u>3</u>
4. Pastor's Opening Comments : Father Jim advised that: Father Arun has arrived in Edmonton and should be at OLPH by June 16 th , 4 students have been hired under the Canada Summer Jobs Program, with Abbey Starko as the supervisor, and he appreciated all those who attended the Grateful Gathering on June 9 th .	Father Jim	<u>4</u>
5. Ministry Liaison: What have you heard? Uduak advised that she invite a friend to the Grateful Gathering and that she was impressed with our volunteers, and Father Jim advised that he heard good comments about the recent review on Matthew Kelly's book; there are many good resources available in our library. a) All Others: N/A b) Correspondence: N/A	Uduak Father Jim Uduak Uduak	<u>5</u>
6. Action items a) What has been completed? 2 items on the list have been completed and will be deleted; b) the remaining 5 items will remain on the list, with date changes, and minor changes.	Uduak	<u>6</u>
7. Generative Discussion: As a compassionate parish that cares for all its members, including the sick and shut-ins, how can we start a ministry that brings the Holy Eucharist to those unable to physically participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass?	Uduak	<u>7</u>
Bridget advised of some research that she has done, including several options for public transportation, we have weekly Masses at our care homes, to take Holy Communion to a private residence, you need 2 people and both must have taken the approved Praesidium courses; however, a family member could do this. One issue raised was insurance for the driver-Father Jim will review information presented and make a decision. There is a parishioner from Camrose who is prepared to come to a PPC meeting and provide more information on this topic. It was recommended that we market this option in our Bulletin, via information on slides prior to Masses, at Conversation Cafes, an article by our Pastor in the Bulletin and give priority to shut-ins who can't get to Masses. Training is available in the spring and fall, and we could start with one or 2 couples to create an awareness in our parish, and see how many people are in need of this ministry. Father Jim will speak with Father Kris Schmidt re procedures and requirements; Father Jim and Bridget will discuss and have a plan ready for the fall.	Bridget	
8. New Business: a) Welcome-Father Michael : Uduak welcomed Father Michael to OLPH, and Father Jim thanked him for his service to the parish b) Father Michael will be moving to St. Dominic Savio Parish as the administrator in mid-July; we are all grateful for the time he spent with us. c) Arrival of new Priest : Father Arun will be here on July 16 th to serve as the Assistant Pastor	Father Jim Uduak Uduak Uduak	<u>8</u>

d) ABJ Graduation-Pray for students: The Grad Mass was held at the Convention Centre on May 31st; at the beginning of June, we were given first names only of students to pray for due to legalities with privacy legislation; Father Jim spoke to the grads last week at ABJ and the Grad Mass for St.Isidore Learning Centre was held here on June 5th. e) Corpus Christi Procession: Was held here on June 7th, approximately 150 people attended, and was followed by Family Friendly Adoration; it was recommended that we have more popular songs so people would not have to read from the song books, while walking f) Priority Sunday: Was held on June 7th, thus achieving a Pastoral Priority objective g) Conversation Café-Miracles today? Father Jim advised that he attended this session and was impressed with the amount of sharing among the attendees. 9. Standing Reports: a) CWL: Mary-Lou advised that: the CWL had Masses with CWL intentions and hosted Holy Hour on May 20th, 12 hours of Prayer for Palliative Care was held on May 20th, 4 ladies attended the Provincial Convention in Whitecourt on June 5th and 6th, hosted Pastoral Priorities Sunday on June 7th after the 7PM Mass, year-end wind-up and Service Awards was held on June 8th, 2 greeting cards and 1 Mass was said during the month. Upcoming CWL Events: June/July/August 2026: Masses with CWL intentions and host Holy Hour on June 17th, July 15th and August 19th and members will be serving a meal to youth from the Ignite Conference in July. Ministry Liaison: No updates from Alpha, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd or the Clothing Nook PPC Queries: CWL requests more cutlery-forks and small spoons-in the kitchen bins; Father Jim advised that there is an excess in the staff kitchen and some of those can be taken to the kitchen.	Natalie Uduak Uduak Father Jim Mary-Lou	2
b) Knights of Columbus: Wally advised that: the new wicker baskets have arrived, will donate \$50,000 over 4 years for a new Hospice Palliative Care Unit at Sherwood Care Centre, Blake Krause has been elected as the new Grand Knight along with other new officers for Council 6083, donations of over \$8,000 were approved for Gregory the Great Institute, religious members support, Our Lady of Victory Camp, Our Lady of Guadalupe support, Sacred Heart Church, Star of the North, and the Foundation of SJS and NTC, and helped with hospitality on June 7th. Future Events: Installation of new officers and year-end barbecue on June 16th, Food Bank Drive to be held on June 20th, Men's Prayer Breakfast on June 20th, Fundraising sessions will be held over the next 6 months to increase charitable donations, and will cook for the Lac Ste. Anne breakfast on July 22nd. c) Liturgy: Marlene advised that: the beautiful Corpus Christi Procession was held on June 7th, and will be reviewed by the committee for future planning, planning on enhancing the Greeter's Ministry into a full-fledged ministry in consultation with the Pastoral Priorities committee, continuing to fine-tune the flow of the Mass , including coordination between the AV and Music ministries and ministering Communion to those parishioners at the back of the church, and working with the Archdiocese re storage of documents for parish groups. d) Finance/Parish Business Report: Terry advised that: total revenue is up 14% over the same period last year, a summary of Parish Sacrificial Giving was provided for 2022, 2024, 2025 and 2026 to date, part-time office staff have been hired to replace those who left, tasks are being identified for our 4 students from the Canada Summer Jobs Program,	Wally Marlene Terry	

flooring replacement in the office entrance area has been completed this week, replacement of the controls for the mechanical system is almost finished, still		
looking at options for upgrading lighting in the parish hall and reviewing quotes for cleaning the air ducts in the nave of the church. Also, considering some upgrades to the kitchen and foyer lighting. e). Parish Team Update: Parish School Relations: 1 and 2: Natalie advised that: Abbey Starko is the supervisor for the summer students, Andrew Sheedy has been assigned to OLPH and will be ordained a Deacon on July 16th, volunteers will be required to assist with hospitality on Father Michael's last weekend at OLPH, several schools will be holding year-end Masses at OLPH this month, June 24th is the last day of school for teachers and hospitality will be in the foyer after the 8:30 morning Mass.	Natalie	
3) Sacraments: First Communion prep families participated in the family-friendly adoration on June 7th, and some joined the Corpus Christi procession, their retreat day is on June 13th and they will receive First Holy Communion on June 20th and 21st; we have one student from Tofield, and that parish will also have a First Holy Communion celebration.		
4) Youth Ministry: The youth group will celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus with evening Mass on June 12th, followed by the Litany prayer and their pizza and games downstairs, flocknote online registration for Vacation Bible Camp is going well and the camp is almost full.	Natalie	
5) Other Parish Activities/Events/News: About 150 parishioners attended the first Corpus Christi outdoor procession on June 7th, and need to do some promotion for Face-to-Face ministries to attract more participants from grades 6-8.	Natalie	
f) Pastoral Priorities Report: Uduak advised that: the committee met on May 25th-discussion focussed on ministry recruitment and engagement, with the personal invitation to serve being the most effective, considering a "Ministry of the Month" initiative for Sept, the recent Corpus Christi procession is intended as a celebration of faith and a visible witness within the community, the prayer handbook is almost completed, work continues on a Sacramental card program aimed at strengthening pastoral outreach at key moments in the lives of parishioners, and enhancing the Greeter Ministry continues to be a priority for OLPH.	Uduak	
g) Other Business: Father Jim has been appointed as the Vicar-General for the Archdiocese, Father Jim thanked Rod for his contributions to PPC over the past 3 years and complimented Natalie on her excellent work in Sacramental preparation.	Uduak Father Jim	
h) Constitution Review: Mary-Lou reviewed the changes recommended by the committee and will bring a revised version to the Sept. meeting; the most important change recommended was that the vice-chair assumes the role of the chair in his/her absence and that all financial decisions out of the ordinary shall be done by motions and votes, and parishioners should be informed when necessary; also, that all final decisions relative to the operation of OLPH shall be made by the Pastor, after consultation with PPC. Father Jim thanked the committee members for the work involved in updating the Constitution.	Mary-Lou	
10: Wrap-up		
a) Challenges and Blessings:	Uduak	<u>10</u>
b) Next PPC Meeting: Sept. 9th, 2026-6:30PM	All	
c) Closing Prayer:	Uduak	
d) Adjournment-meeting adjourned at 9:00PM	Father Michael	
	Uduak	

ACTION ITEMS

Date	Action Item	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Date Completed	Comments
June 10 th , 2026	Update the Constitution and bring changes to PPC	Mary-Lou	Sept. 9 th , 2026			
March 12 th , 2025	Look for opportunities to be a Compassionate Parish	All	Continuing			
March 11 th , 2026	Include info in the Bulletin re parishioners to drive seniors to/from Masses	Natalie	Sept. 9 th , 2026			
May 13 th , 2026	Check to see if the office has a menstrual kit	Mary-Lou	Sept. 9 th , 2026			
Feb. 11 th , 2026	Ask other groups to assist with the Sanctuary of Peace lunch in Sept. 2026	Natalie	Sept. 1 st , 2026			
Feb. 11 th , 2026	Send info re garbage to Bridget Francisco in office	Mary-Lou	Sept. 9 th , 2026			
June 10 th , 2026	Advise ushers that there is a diabetic kit in the office	Liturgy Council	June 15 th , 2026			
June 10 th , 2026	Plan an awareness package to advise parishioners of the potential for receiving Holy Communion at home	Father Jim and Bridget	Sept. 9 th , 2026			
June 10 th , 2026	Discuss allocation of PSG money for remainder of 2026	All	Sept. 9 th , 2026			