

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

#### MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 21, 2026

**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026  
**Time:** 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM  
**Location:** DeSales Faith Formation Center

#### **Vision Statement:**

Immaculate Conception Church will be the vibrant expression of the Risen Christ in Sacred worship and through loving service.

#### **Mission Statement:**

We live Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Gospel, by celebrating the Eucharist, by nourishing our faith, and by loving and serving all God's people.

#### **Attendees:**

Fr. John McGee, Chair: Matt Simms, Vice Chair: Julie Bowling, Caroline Paulhus, Susan Taylor, Angela Zombek, Mary Swack, Erin Mabry.

The meeting was presided over by Matt Simms.  
Opening Prayer led by Susan Taylor.

#### **Agenda Items:**

**Mary Swack:** Mary discussed the current state of the Inreach Committee. There are an active group of volunteers within this committee and our programs are being run effectively. There was discussion of the funeral reception area not having anywhere for attendees to place their drinks other than on chair cushions, FJ will have Charlie research some options for cupholders to work towards resolution.

**Erin Mabry:** Erin discussed the Hospitality Committee and expressed interest in creating a formal dinner event for later this calendar year. The projected cost would be \$50 per ticket, possible locations discussed were Landfall and Riverlights. Erin will continue to finalize plans and FJ offered to assist.

**Stewardship Opportunities Booklet:** There is a need for each Ministry to review and update their section of the booklet. The need for consistent training and communication of what is going on in each ministry was discussed.

**Agenda – New Business:**

FJ requested that we invite the Coordinator of the Outreach Ministry to our next meeting to discuss current challenges that are faced within, as well as any ways that we could support this ministry. There was no other new business presented for discussion.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS**

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PRAYER</u>	<u>REFRESHMENTS/SET-UP</u>	<u>CLEAN-UP</u>
PPC	6-27-2026	JULIE BOWLING	SUSAN TAYLOR	ALL
EXEC	5-17-2026	N/A	N/A	N/A

**WELCOME ORIENTATIONS**

**Saturdays – 9:00 AM / 11:00 AM**

**Assigned PPC Members will attend, introduce themselves and be available to the new parishioners for questions**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PPC REPRESENTATIVE</u>
6-6-2026	<b>MATT SIMMS</b>

**STEWARDSHIP PRAYER**

Lord God, you alone are the source of every good gift, of the vast array of our universe, and the mystery of every human life. We praise you and we thank you for your great power and your tender, faithful love.

Everything we are and everything we have is your gift. After having created us, you have given us into the keeping for your Son, Jesus Christ.

Fill our minds with His truth and our hearts with His love, that in His Spirit, we may be bonded together in a community of faith, a parish family, a caring people.

In the Name and Spirit of Jesus, we commit ourselves to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time, our talent, and our material gifts as an outward sign of the treasure we hold in Jesus. Amen.

**PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT**

Dear Loving Lord,      Please be at my side when I am making decisions.  
                                    Teach me to open my mind and see with my heart.  
                                    Help me, dear Lord, to discern the path, even if it seems strange,  
                                    That will lead me to You.

By: F.K. Forbes, McKenna Stewardship Ministry.