

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

08-17-2026 7:00pm

Parish Center Third Floor Conference Room 1

PPC Members Present:

Fr. John Trout X	Marilyn Jansen X	Cindy Rourke X	Tracey Zabriskie X
Chad Barney X	Elisa Kline X	Kevin Ryan	
Kim Bredemann X	Matt Kline X	Danielle Schuh X	
Mike Crowe X	Margaret Pasquesi X	Char Sparrow X	
Kevin Dougherty X	Laura Roche X	Javier Ubarri X	

PPC Mission: *OLPH is a family of believers in Christ who strive to live according to His teachings. We take as our mission in the world the living out of the Gospel of Jesus.*

Opening Prayer: (Kevin Dougherty)

Introduction: (Marilyn Jansen)

Distribution of Paperwork (Danielle Schuh)

~ Paper work included: PPC roster, PPC member terms, calender of meeting dates for the year, liaisons for the OLPH ministries, updated ministry leader lists, updated PPC Bylaws, tips on how to reach out to ministries, & confidentiality forms to sign and return to Danielle. A PPC meeting sign-up was sent around to members during the meeting as well.

Approval of June Minutes: (Danielle Schuh)

Mike Crowe will assume the role of Finance Council Representative this year.

Faith Journey Partner Activity (Marilyn Jansen)

~ Briefly tell me about members of your family & how long you've been an OLPH Parishioner. What brought you to OLPH and what do you love about this parish? What does being a member of the PPC mean to you? Why were you called to this role? PPC members broke into small groups to get to know each other. After, Members introduced their partners by explaining the answers to these questions.

Upcoming Events & Announcements: (Marilyn Jansen)

Twelve OLPH Welcome events have been planned for the parish to get to know Father John during the month of August. The Block Party is scheduled for September 12th, 2026. We were talking about a ministry booth - tabled for next year. Reminder: Father John's Installation mass will be held on September 19, 2026.

OLPH United - November 7th, 2026 after 8:30am mass in McDonnell Hall

Great venue for handicapped individuals! We also have it reserved for the following year for the same weekend.

PPC has created different committees to help create this event:

Venue & Hospitality- Tracey (Chair), Danielle, Javier, Laura, & Cindy
Programming with Fr. John- Elisa (Chair), Marilyn, Margaret, Kim, Char
Communications/ Marketing/ Invitations- Chad (Chair), Kevin, Mke, Elisa, Margaret

We will have a subcommittee meeting on Zoom on Tuesday, Sept 1st at 7:00pm.

OLPH United Details: (Elisa Kline & Fr. John)

Fr. John will be the key note speaker for OLPH United, so that the parish can get to know Fr. John. Fr. John will share his life experiences with us as well as religious messages of forgiveness and joy. Margaret and Elisa will discuss with Fr. John the main message. Theologically we are in the era of Community. A concept for this reflection day is Forgiveness as a way of life. Justice, peace and joy, come learn about the Kingdom of God as themes? We may also rename this event.

Pastor's Remarks: (Fr. John Trout)

~ Fr. John feels that we are people of hope. We are to bring community of joy, peace and justice to Glenview and the parish. He wants the parish to help him make decisions for the parish, not just himself. He wants to play to people's strengths for the good of the parish. This will build up the parish. Fr. John wants to bring Synodality (Community, Participation, Mission) to work at OLPH as he did in his previous parish. If it's done well, within budget and created for the good of the parish, it will be successful. He made sure protocol was followed during the process. He has enjoyed meeting families in each of the neighborhoods- a very joyous experience. He is passionate about the benefits of good community, and it should always be growing and inclusive.

~ Fr. John wants to relook at the structure of the Parish to help with communications. Groups within OLPH- Core Mission Streams: Faith Formation, Liturgy & Worship, Pastoral Care & Outreach, OLPH School. Enabling Streams: Business Operations, Marketing & Communications, Stewardship & Development.

~ Fr. John feels very welcome here at OLPH. He has had a fantastic experience. He's working on names of parishioners. He is delighted to be here.

New Business / Topics: (Marilyn Jansen)

~ Respect for Life Ministry & Cubbyhole structure in South Vestibule. Laura Showed us two of the types of structures that could be placed in the vestibule. This could be a "center" for information on all ministries for parishioners to be able to access after masses. PPC agree that this is a good idea to investigate.

Closing Prayer: (Mike Crowe)

Meeting Minutes: (Danielle Schuh)

Fellowship: Snacks- (Marilyn Jansen) / Beverages- (Elisa Kline)