PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

Wednesday, 6 May 2026, 7:00 PM Conference Room

Present: Fr. Yesalonia, Fr. Hilbert, Barbara Bennett, Laura De Boisblanc, Antonio Del Rosario, Ken Kern, Marguerite Lucarelli, John Mancuso, Letty Moss-Salentijn, Sabrina Ng, Dolores Troy Quinn, Christian Sanders.
On Zoom: Christopher Passmore,

1. **Prayer.** Fr. Yesalonia opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. **Review of Minutes, 22 April 2026.** The minutes of the last meeting were approved, with one correction.
3. **Report: Pastor**. Fr. Yesalonia gave an update of various events and works of the parish, including:
    a. The Pastor is looking forward to a meeting with the Vicar General of the New York Archdiocese, Bishop Whelan, to discuss the financial situation of the archdiocese. The Pastor plans on writing a letter to the parish on the topic and hold an open "town hall" meeting in the Fall.
    b. Although the numbers of worshipers in church has grown over the past few months, the offertory collections are down.
4. **Healthy Aging Proposal.** An external proposal for a "Healthy Aging" series of workshops was presented. The council members had several questions, and the topic was tabled for the Fall.

5. **Parish Council Planning Meeting Discussion Topics.**
    a. Chris Passmore reported on the responses that he received from the members who offered topics for discussion at our June 10th Planning Session. The topics were placed in five general categories:
        i. Commercialization and Revenue Generation
        ii. Evangelization and Outreach
        iii. Governance and Capability Mapping
        iv. Horizon Scanning
        v. Strategic Alignment
    b. Various items were discussed and others were added.
    c. A discussion followed regarding the procedure to follow during the Planning Session. There will be small group sessions, with a note-

taker in each group, and perhaps an outside facilitator who will lead the plenary sessions.

d. Chris will follow up with a questionnaire for the members which will focus on the priorities for the work of the Council during the coming year.
e. The Planning Meeting will take place on Wednesday, 10 June, from 4:00 to 8:30 PM. Venue TBD.

6. **Other Business**. There was no other business raised.

Fr. Yesalonia led us in a Hail Mary and asked St. Ignatius to pray for us.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

The next meeting is Wednesday, 10 June 2026, venue TBD..

Respectfully submitted.
Michael Hilbert, S.J.