



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Leading People to Jesus Through Worship, Community, Service and Devotion to Mary

Immaculate Conception Parish Pastoral Council Meeting June 4, 2025

Rich Viertel called the meeting to order at 7:50pm, and led the opening prayer.

Attendees: Rich Viertel, David Lyons, Paula Mong, Janet Wilks, and Julie Clemens.
Not present: Kendra Girardot, Max Herath, Fr. Matthew Hoover, Deacon Chris Campbell, and Principal Colleen Kent

Announcements – Rich Viertel

- **IC Pilgrimage: June 2025.** Fr. Matt and fellow IC parishioners will be in Italy June 9th - June 20th, to participate in the Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope.
- **IC Campus “Artification:”** The artwork project in Marian Hall is pending due to year-end priorities at the school. Project completion is now planned for late third or early fourth quarter 2025.
- **2025 Christmas Mass Scheduling:** 4:00 Mass overflow will be set up in Marian Hall with Mass being live streamed on screen. A Parish communication plan will be launched in October.
- **Corpus Christi Picnic – Sunday, June 22 after 11:00 Mass & Processional:** Council members will set up 6-10 folding chairs at the Grotto for parishioners who need them. After the Processional, a Parish Picnic will be co-hosted by the Parish Council, Women’s Club, and Knights of Columbus. Janet Wilks will provide pasta salad and the IC Women’s Club will supply other side dishes and desserts. Event preparation and food management will be provided by the Knights of Columbus. If it rains, the picnic will be moved to Marian Hall.
- **Engage at IC –** Rather than holding an Engage@IC event, Council plans to create a static display to share information about IC’s ministries. The display will be available Sept. 13-21.
- **2025 Triduum:** Rich met with Sister Antoinette Cedrone, FMA, of The Daughters of Mary Help of Christians (Salesian Sisters) who recommended for Council to meet with one of her fellow sisters (Sister Theresa). Several Council members will meet with Sr. Theresa in August or September. Council expects to complete the agenda early fourth quarter 2025.
- **Parish Council Member Recruiting:** Rich has a complete candidate list and will begin contacting them.
- **Fill the role of Vice-President for the Council:** Rich announced that Julie Clemens will fill the role of Vice-President for 2025-2026. Council members unanimously voted for Rich to continue to serve as Council President for a second year. In August, Council Members will attend a Meet & Greet at Janet Wilk’s house to welcome new members.

In light of the upcoming 2025-2026 Council sessions, a question was raised about the communication of Parish initiatives and the role that Council has in framing and discussing the initiatives before decisions about them are made.

- **Pastor's Topics: Summer Seminarian Registry; N. Broadway Signage**
 - IC's Summer Seminarian Residency Program will be filled by Absalom Hall. The summer residency is 10 weeks.
 - N Broadway Church signage: Council had another discussion about installing an electronic sign for the church and school on North Broadway. The conversation will continue around building a case for presentation to Fr. Matt in the context of other campus/parish/capital improvement projects.

Commission Breakout Meeting Reports

- Faith Formation & Spiritual Life: Commission members discussed the IC Triduum.
- Social Concerns: Commission members were joined by Angela Manning from BREAD, who submitted a BREAD Team proposal seeking to hold an event with other local churches to learn about how each church is addressing social concerns.
- Parish & Community Life: Commission members discussed the Corpus Christi picnic and upcoming Parish Festival. IC's Garden Ministry will have a work session on 6/14/25. IC will host a Car Show, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, on June 28th.

Closing and Next Meeting

Rich called the meeting to a close at 8:26pm. The next Council meeting will be held at 7:30pm on September 10, 2025.

Meeting minutes drafted and submitted by Julie Clemens, Parish Council Secretary.