

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Development Commission

October 2025 Meeting Agenda

Our Purpose: To advise the parish on promoting a spirit of generosity in support of the mission and core values of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, School, and Cemetery.

October 21, 2025

1. Opening prayer (6:30) – Mary
**Generous Spirit Prayer*
2. Introductions (6:30) – *Led by Pete*
 - Guest(s) – Anna Nagle, Assistant Principal; Father Paul
 - Quick Intros for Anna – Name, What are you Grateful for at SJB

Present	Not Present
Stephanie	Chris
Don	
Ken	
Steve	
Chris C.	
Pete	
Mary	
Janet	
Mary May	
Guests: Anna Nagle	
Father Paul	

**Grateful for a place of peace, number of families growing, one life of work and home, community and school, compassion / empathy, welcoming and will meet you where you are at, transitional deacon, passionate leadership, help to grow in our faith*

3. Question/theme for the evening (6:35) – *Included in introductions*
4. Our Purpose (6:40) – *Reviewed by Pete*
5. Old Business (6:45) – *Led by Pete*
 - a. Review 2025-2026 Goals
- *Will add status by December’s meeting*
6. New Business (6:50) – *Led by Mary and Pete*

- a. Grateful Hearts Annual Campaign (6:50) – *Led by Mary*
 - *Invitation weekend will have tables in the plaza. Discussion on what to include on tables were forms, thermometer to show gains, forms received the prior year and list a stretch goal. Final decision was to include our last year numbers, our goal of 425 and a thermometer with 450 at the top.*
 - *Forms will be sent in the next week so families can have time to discern about goals*
 - *What is preventing a person to sign up right away? Some feel that they need to discuss with their spouse when they both could possibly fill out a form*
 - *Follow-up emails will be in two rounds and reminders will be made during Mass*
 - *Suggestions to improve form were listing Donor Advised Funds, IRA’s and QCD’s as options*
 - * Add form and information to the Principal’s Bulletin to increase support from school families and rerun every week during the campaign*
 - *Suggested to have a link on the campaign page to make a gift. It should be easy to give*
 - *Plaza will also have tables by Discipleship and Mission and St. Vincent de Paul*

b. School and Collaboration (7:10) – Led by Pete

- *How can we help? Volunteering, donations, security, alumni
- *An alumni database is being worked on to try to engage in attending Wines to Wishes. TADS should be used to gather contact information. Having a hard time finding help with data entry
- *Use teachers, LinkedIn, Facebook to find alumni and spread the word
- *Security will be the focus at Wines to Wishes
- *Help being vocal with our ideas, volunteering to work on website routes for easy access
- *Mary will connect with Beth and school leadership to prioritize how PDC can help. After priorities have been stated, PDC will help with offering solutions
- *Tuition Assistance is easier to find support. Stories are abundant
- *Next steps are to prioritize a list from the school for the next 3-5 years

c. Restore to Gather Campaign (7:25) – Led by Pete

- *Two more projects to complete – replacement of chillers and increasing the School Operations Endowment
- *Wrap up report is in the works

- Discuss Lord, Renew Your Church Campaign

- *Archdiocese campaign goal is 250 million and has a 50 million lead gift. It is a 5-year campaign
- *Pilot phase is finished with Phase 1 finished by December.
- *St. John's will be in Phase 4 in 2027 with a goal of 3.18 million. 60% will be brought back to St. Johns's and 40% will stay with the archdiocese
- *Thoughts that 5 years will be too long, we should ask for a lower goal or to be a part later in the phases. There is concern about donor fatigue after our Restore to Gather campaign.
- *Engage parishioners in the next 8 months then propose the Renew Your Campaign

7. Other (7:45) - Peter

a. All Saints Party – Wednesday October 29 at 5pm – Table for PDC?

- *Suggested to have colored pages again as we did last year
- *We will have a table

b. November PDC Meeting

- *Pete might not be available to chair. Chris offered to be available, if needed

CONCLUDE (7:50)

8. PLC Recommendation Form

- a. Yes _____
- b. No _____
- c. Recommendation summary. Form forwarded to _____.

9. PLC Report – 3-5 items

- a. Grateful Hearts Campaign – Goal to increase by 10%
- b. School Collaboration – Prioritize needs
- c. Restore to Gather and Prepping for Archdiocese campaign

10. Closing prayer

11. Adjournment

