

St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish Council

Approved Minutes

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Members present: Deacon Stephen Bowling, Tammy Shoemaker (2027), Dennis Comella (2027), Heather Skinner (2028), Rita Dobson (2026), Liesl Minneci (2029), Suzanne Geiger (2029)

Members absent: Fr. Jason Harris Peggy Boone (2028), Ken Cusick (2027), Bob Gray (2028), Deacon Tim Stout

Prayer: Deacon Stephen Bowling

Approval of August minutes: Suzanne Geiger moved to approve, Tammy Shoemaker seconded

Questions/comments/concerns

1. Married Priests? Can get approved if they are already a priest in another denomination, and married, if they convert there is a path for Catholic priesthood
2. Love the new bulletin format, but suggestion we would like Parish events for the upcoming week ?? Same old same old news, maybe feature someone?? Perhaps people actually writing something? Principal, Priest, maybe rotate who writes?
3. Reviewed Operations report: Multipurpose HVAC plan looks pretty solid. Landscaping looks good for the long term, especially with the irrigation system to sustain the plants
4. People wondering about why we are building this big rectory, it will be St. Gabriel's priests and others will pay rent, will help us be more attractive for a much needed associate priest
5. When Father comes back he will no longer live in the apartment, he will stay St. Bartholomew where he is now, until our Rectory is built
6. It takes a special guy to run the big churches, need an associate priest to make his work life manageable, and having a nice rectory will put us in the running to get an associate priest
7. Could a new priest come in and move the tabernacle back to the side? Probably not because it really belongs by the table to sacrifice, and Archbishop feels really strongly about that.
8. We hope therapy dog becomes a thing at school.

9. Report for the parish planning process will come out around November. They will give people a chance to get a look at it, let it marinate, what we saw earlier this year is probably close to what will happen.

Prayer: Deacon Stephen Bowling

Minutes submitted by Heather Skinner