

B. Mass Procedures

Father Timothy

Collection at mass, gifts brought forward, usher collection

Changes in the Offertory process, bring up gifts after offertory collection is brought up.

- i. recommendations based on discussion

Pastoral Council recommended Father put an article in bulletin to provide information on changes.

C. All things New

Reviewed: Father will enter an update in the bulletin discussing parameters for the Pastoral Plan with The Guiding Principles

- ii. recommendations based on discussion

Pastoral Council recommended a “parish hall” to review the Guiding Principles, Design Parameters we have received from the diocese for the Pastoral Plan Stewardship

D. Survey Results – continued review

Katie Kerr

recommendations based on discussion

1. Strengthening youth engagement was overall as number one priority -List opportunities to share what is happening and plan for the new school year
2. -Improving transparency has come as second priority
3. Communication Challenges in ACC – Father has written articles to improve communications

-Recommend stewardship cards passed out in church

-Father to have a meeting to build community again, wisdom ,wit and wine

-Put out comment box out on Father’s Day weekend for feed back

E. Parish sub-committee updates

St. Louis Christian Women- Nancy

There will be a Corpus Christi procession hosted at St. Louis Bertrand in June.

Details are being worked on currently.

Fellowship Social Committee

Fellowship socials continue to be going great! A beautiful opportunity for the committee and all that partakes in coming to the socials.

The Grounds and Beautification Committee

As May is here, projects are on schedule to be completed. The cobblestone on the south side of the church is already done. And Committee members will obtain volunteers as needed for the additional projects. So, we appreciate the great involvement we have in this committee to accomplish the needs of our Parish. Beautiful lay ministry and participation. The projects that are in need should be minimal cost as we have donations to cover them.

Knights of Columbus Holy Family Council 11856, St. Louis Bertrand/St. Mary's, Milaca will have a meeting on May 27, 2025. They will be partaking in the Corpus Christi procession.

Faith Formation Lifelong St. Mary's/St. Louis Bertrand
St. Mary's has provided an update for the parishes.

Finance Council

The Meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2025.

ACC picnic will be hosted at St. Louis Bertrand in Foreston in August.

Milaca Elim Home monthly Bingo

Monthly volunteers provide a bingo night at the Milaca Elim Home headed by Karen Swenson. Next date is May 28, 2025.

St. Mary's, Milaca- Kris

First Communion on Sunday, April 27: Two students from our parish received their First Holy Communion at St. Louis Bertrand on Saturday, April 26 and three students from our parish received their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 27 at St. Mary's, Milaca.

ACC Confirmation Mass was held at St. Mary's, Milaca on Sunday, May 3: Fourteen students were confirmed from our ACC with one additional guest being confirmed.

Grow in Virtue Faith Formation and Lifelong Faith Formation Classes are finished for this school year.

Youth Brat Sale was held at Prince Bait, Milaca on Friday, May 9: Proceeds will be split between the Discernment Retreat and future youth activities. The sale went very well. We are waiting for the invoices for the hamburgers and pork chops before we can calculate the proceeds.

LOLEK Play at Open Window Theatre, Inver Grove Heights – Saturday, May 17:

Some stats on the day:

□ 45 people attended the play □ 29 people rode the school bus; 16 people drove separately – of those 16, a driver and two residents from the Milaca Elim Meadows Assisted Living drove/rode in a handicap van. After the play, of those 45 people, 36 went to Pizza Ranch in Elk River for a buffet dinner.

There was a lot of visiting and some new friends made. Everyone seemed to enjoy the event. Requests were made that we do more events like this one.

ACC Sr. Class Mass and Banquet was held on Sunday, May 18, 12:00 noon at St. Mary's Milaca: Twelve seniors attended the Mass and 55 people (including workers) were served at the Banquet that followed.

St. Mary's Guild Spring Garage Sale was held May 21-23. The youth held a bake sale in conjunction with the garage sale. Proceeds from the bake sale will help defray the cost of the Discernment Retreat.

Ordination - Deacon Nathaniel Daubner's ordination to the priesthood will be held on Saturday, June 7 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. His First Mass will be held the next day, Sunday, June 8 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Mary's, Milaca. A reception follows. As of May 23, we have 209 RSVPs for the Mass, and of those 209, we have 180 RSVPs for the reception).

Discernment Retreat – We are in the process of planning for this year's Discernment Retreat which will be held June 17-19. As of May 23, 43 youth have signed up. We could use help with chaperones, food donations, and prep, etc.

St. Mary's Guild, Milaca Salad Luncheon – June 25 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Totus Tuus at St. Mary's, Milaca – July 20-24 for 7-12 graders; July 21-25 for 1-6 graders. We will NOT be offering Totus Tuus for pre-k and kindergarten this year.

St. Kathryn's – Rose

Our Plant and bake sale went wonderfully bringing in \$3000. Thank you to Rose Voss.

Celebration of our First communicants, Confirmands, and graduates .

We are planning our St Kateri celebration in mid-July.

Corn on curb and Pork Dinner planning begins.

St. Mary's, Mora- Amanda

St. Mary's, Mora sub-committee updates for 05.27.25 ACC meeting

Family Faith Formation- Classes are done for year. Registration for next fall has begun. Some volunteers are putting on a garage sale for the next few weekends to raise money for future youth group events or activities in the ACC.

The events committee has the BBQ and Pool Party planned for Friday, August 8th .

St. Mary's and St. Kathryn's Knights of Columbus will be having their officer election in July. They have not sent out their next year schedule.

Set next meeting- August 19, 2025 St.Marys, Milaca, 6 pm

Closing Prayer

Father Timothy