

**Parish Name:** Holy Guardian Angels Roman Catholic Church

**Date:** March 2, 2026

**Time:** 6:05 PM

**Location:** Parish Basement

**Chairperson:** Wendy Freeman

## **Parish Council Meeting Minutes**

### **1. Opening Prayer**

Led by Wendy Freeman.

### **2. Attendance and Welcome**

Roll call/sign-in conducted.

**Absent:** Marge Collins, AJ Farrell, Fr. Allen Hoffa, Fr. Robert Rienzo, Wayne Rothenberger, Kaybe Spiale, Rachel Toledo, Lisa Wood

**Agenda Approval:** Kari Mallozi

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### **3. Pastor's Report**

Discussion focused on Disciple Training and parish engagement.

- Emphasis on personal invitations and one-on-one interactions to encourage parish involvement.
- Parish mission should remain centered on helping people grow in their relationship with Jesus.
- Parish Council should support ministries and help connect people with opportunities to serve.

#### **Disciple Training:**

Four sessions will be offered. Council members are encouraged to RSVP even if unable to attend all sessions.

#### **Future Planning:**

An Executive Session was held to discuss the parish's 100th anniversary planning and events.

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### **4. Committee Reports**

## Education

Includes PREP, VBS, sacramental preparation, parish school, school boards, and Home School Association.

**Strengths:** Strong leadership and established programs.

**Needs:** Additional volunteers (especially for PREP and VBS), increased communication and coordination, and additional funding support for the school.

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## Social Concerns & Outreach

Includes SVDP, P2P, Bereavement, and Culture of Life.

- SVDP is active during Lent and recently gained **three new members**.
- Leadership structure is still being discussed.
- Group will meet to determine direction and leadership roles.

**Strengths:** Organized structure and consistent service projects.

**Need:** Dedicated facility space for potential clothing drives or food pantry initiatives.

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## Evangelization

No update provided.

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## Liturgy

Lenten activities have increased participation:

- Evening Prayer with Benediction (5:50 PM)
  - Stations of the Cross (Fridays, ~20–30 attendees)
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## Pastoral Outreach

Approximately nine active ministries led by Elias and Dave.

Discussion focused on improving coordination between ministries, particularly:

- Parish nurses seeking referrals
- Prayer Shawl ministry distribution
- Opportunities for Eucharistic Ministers and homebound ministers to assist

Deacon Ferguson will help coordinate communication among ministries.

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### **Parish Office**

- The Hispanic community is growing, increasing the need for Spanish-speaking staff and culturally responsive ministry.
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## **5. Old Business**

**Disciple Training:** Reminder to RSVP for sessions.

**New Parishioner Outreach:**

Three new parishioners attended recent outreach. Communication methods should include email and text messaging in addition to phone calls to reach different demographics.

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## **6. New Business**

### **Implementation Team**

The Implementation Team is continuing work from the Envisioning Team's Pastoral Priority Plan.

Team leads met with the Catholic Leadership Institute to discuss progress and challenges.

Ministries are encouraged to collaborate with Implementation Team leads when ideas align with the plan's goals.

**Action Item:**

Shannon will email Parish Council members with team leads and contact information for each goal area.

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## **7. Action Items / Next Steps**

- Confirm meeting dates for the upcoming calendar year.
  - Wendy will speak with Fr. Rienzo regarding Eucharistic Ministers assisting with Pastoral Outreach initiatives.
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## **8. Closing Prayer**

Led by Wendy Freeman.

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**Next Meeting:** May 18, 2026 (Council, staff, and ministry heads – calendar planning meeting)

**Adjournment:** 7:11 PM