St. Paul's Parish Council Minutes
Wednesday, September 10, 2025, 6:30 p.m. - St. John's, Blairstown

Parish Council Members Attending: Jason Urell, Barb Volesky, Rosie Olsen, Doug McDonald, Mike Benson, and Christine McGovern. Absent: Cheree' Saulsbury.

Buildings & Grounds: Until the results of the Journey in Faith process are provided, the church will continue to maintain the church building and grounds per usual. All new projects will be put on hold for now.

Parish Life: Barb discussed Nov 8 Women's Luncheon. Melanie Light and Barb are hosting a table. Barb also discussed that the PL committee is checking with Tara Hills about scheduling a golf outing in May 2026. The football tailgate has been cancelled.

Liturgy: Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled for October 26 at 10:00 Mass at St. Paul's. Due to the end of Mass being near lunchtime, the liturgical committee is to find out from the families if a light luncheon or cake/cookies is needed after Mass due to families possibly celebrating elsewhere.

Social Concerns: Christine discussed the results of the School Drive and the upcoming Winter Drive and Angel Tree.

Faith Formation: Faith formation starts on Wednesday, September 17. The 9th and 10th grades confirmation classes will be held once per month on Wednesday evening. Confirmation may be every other year depending on amount of kids being confirmed. The Archdiocese has asked that there be at least 20 kids being confirmed in order to cut down travel time for Archbishop Zinkula. Father also discussed he would like to set up a retreat for the confirmation kids in Newhall. He is working on finding a date. Adult Faith Formation program, *Jesus: The Way, The Truth, The Life Study* starts the week of September 8 and will be ongoing for 10 weeks. It is being presented at St. Paul's, Immaculate Conception, and St. Patrick locations.

Financial: Rosie did not have the current financial report from Jaci at the time of the meeting, but reported St. Paul's is doing better financially since the subsidy change.

Father closed the meeting with prayer.

Next meeting: November 12, 2025, 6:30 p.m., St. Michael, Norway