

Common Leadership Night Meeting Minutes

03-12-2026

St. Mary Catholic Faith Community

Hales Corners, WI

Common Leadership Night:

An event created to bring together our Parish Commissions and Committees to develop energy among parish leadership along with awareness of the vastness of our leadership groups here at St. Mary. Common Leadership fosters community, collaboration and a greater sense of discipleship.

Opening Prayer, the Gospel - Luke 11:14-23 and Intercessions: Led by Fr Aaron with dismissal of Commissions to their assigned meeting spaces to conclude the opening prayer with brief faith sharing as a group.

Individual Commission Meetings (1 hour):

- Human Concerns - Marion Room
- Discipleship - Parish Lunch Room
- SLAW - Holy Trinity Conference Room
- Pastoral Care - 312A
- School Advisory - 312C

Commission Reports:

SLAW: [SLAW 02-10-26 Final.pdf](#)

- Presenter: Beverly Jurkowski
- April 25: An event will be held in the Gathering Space for all Liturgical Ministers ○ Steve Janco (Speaker & Composer) will give a talk on Liturgical Ministry ○ Breakout Sessions:
Each ministry will review procedures and learn about new processes

Human Concerns:

- Presenter: Chris Warner
- One Outreach Partner will be highlighted each weekend of Lent for special needs requests
 - March 7 & 8: Pastor Wes, from Repairers of the Breach, made a request for leadership support. Twelve parishioners stepped up to lend their expertise in various areas.

- Human Concerns will host Hospitality the weekend of May 15 & 16

Discipleship: [Discipleship 02-19-26 Final.pdf](#)

- Presenter: Victoria Stasiewicz
- The Discipleship team is doing a book study: Intentional Discipleship, by Sherry Weddell
 - Discussed an increased Intentional Discipleship build throughout the Catholic faith with membership uptick and social media posts
- Easter Card Campaign: Inviting our neighbors to join us in celebrating Easter Mass ●
- Working on Pastoral Planning
- Life Teen: Seeing more Teen engagement in the program

School Advisory:

- Presenter: Jen Lester
- Strategic Planning
 - Finished surveying School families, Faculty and Middle School students
 - Ran Parent Focus Groups to get verbal feedback on ideas and planning
 - Creating subcommittees based on the four Domains:
 - Mission and Catholic Identity
 - Governance and Leadership
 - Academic Excellence
 - Operational Vitality
 - Each Domain will have leadership, parents from the school advisory commission, Faculty members and hopefully, Pastoral Council members
 - Developing priorities and objectives (SMART Rules) for each Domain to improve St Mary School and the relationship with our Parish

Pastoral Care:

- Presenter: Shelly Runte
- Pastoral Care hosted Hospitality in January to highlight the different Ministries under the umbrella of Pastoral Care. Jessica Schilling put out the information and there was a great response. Everything went very well.
- Shelly Runte highlighted “Notebird”, a tracking software program, that provides information on how many people have been served by Pastoral Care in the various ministries
 - To date, 657 (including grief support) have been served
 - Demonstration and Training:
 - 02/11/26 - 6 people participated
 - 03/24/26 - 4 people signed up to learn about Notebird
 - Possible demonstration at our next Common Leadership Meeting in Oct?

Shout out to Joe Plassmeyer for the wonderful buffet he put together for us. The food was delicious. We appreciate all of your hard work. Thank you!

The evening was adjourned with a blessing from Fr. Aaron

Submitted by: Caroline Schachtlie, Pastoral Council Secretary