

Highlights from the Parish Council Meeting January 15, 2026

Finance: The Balance Sheet ending December 31, 2025 was distributed along with the Profit and Loss Comparison of the first six months of the current and previous fiscal years.

Building and Grounds Updates

Projects completed

- *. Handicap ramp and new steps have been installed on the Barnett entrance of the auditorium.
- *. Auditorium interior walls and ceiling were prepped and painted.
- *. New Stage curtain installed.
- *. The auditorium exterior walls were tuck pointed, new bricks replaced and waterproofed.
- *. Guttering and Scuppers were replaced on the auditorium building and alley side of the school building.
- *. Roof between the auditorium and school building was replaced.
- *. New exterior doors installed on the Barnett entrance of the auditorium and the back alley on the school building.
- *. All the windows in the rectory have been replaced.
- *. The carpeting in the church basement was replaced.
- *. The exterior of the church building was waterproofed and the west side was tuck pointed as needed.
- *. New storm doors were installed on the side entrances of the church.
- *. New organ was installed in the choir loft.

Projects in process

- *. Auditorium windows are being replaced.
- *. Auditorium restroom renovation. The restroom will be enlarged and remodeled.
- *. The HVAC system will be replaced and moved in the anticipation of the auditorium restroom renovation.
- *. The church steeple will be inspected and repaired.
- *. Cosmetic work is still being done in the choir loft.
- *. Two air handlers in the church attic are needed to be replaced.

Future projects

- *. Church basement renovation.
- *. School building rehabilitation and repurpose.
- *. Rectory building remodel.
- *. Replace siding and soffit on the rectory to match new windows.

The restroom renovation project may need to be placed on hold at this time. A licensed architect first needs to be hired for the design of the project. Then a permit needs to be acquired from the city before work can begin.

Sacristy/Confessional: - Discussion took place regarding the remodeling of the church sacristy and confessional.

125th Anniversary Book/Party/Ordination Celebration wrap up:

Both celebrations were fun and successful events. Fr. Joseph said how thankful he was for all of the many gifts and well wishes, and for making his celebration so special.

Christmas Ornaments: All of the 125 St. John the Baptist anniversary Christmas ornaments have been sold.

Auditorium Rental and Operations Committee:

The proposed Terms and Conditions for the rental and operations of the auditorium were compiled by the Finance Committee. A committee was formed to finalize the auditorium rental agreement.

Deanery Meetings: Fr. Joseph spoke about the Deanery meetings that the archbishop is planning for the archdiocese. A meeting will be held on February 3, 2026 with the priests and parish representatives. A follow-up meeting will be held on March 3, 2026 with representatives from our deanery to discuss how parishes can come together to thrive and grow in faith

Rectory Operations:

- Four new parishioners have joined our parish.
- Donation statements for tax purposes will be mailed out soon.
- Lent/Holy Week/Easter - Currently Fr. Joseph will use the same schedule as last year.
- Fr. Joseph reported that the annual Red Mass celebrated for all members of the legal sector might be held at St. John's this year in October.

Altar Society:

- The three altar societies will hold their annual Lenten Retreat this year at St. John's.
- Palm Sunday bake sale will be held on March 28 – 29.
- Strudel and povitica-making dates have been set.
- Father's Day Breakfast should not interfere with any World Cup parties.

St. John's Club:

- The walk-in refrigerator has been repaired.
- A \$5000 sump pump needs to be purchased.
- They plan to have a pancake breakfast at the Club on March 1 in lieu of coffee and donuts.
- The Frank Laddish Bowling Tournament has been canceled.
- Two Lenten Shrimp Dinners are planned for February 27 and March 27.
- Marti Gras party to be held on February 14.
- Leagues are winding down.
- Club will shut down rentals during Holy Week.

The Club was thanked for providing all of the drinks for the two October celebrations.

Resurrection School: Fr. Joseph reported that the school enrollment is great. He stated that the students have confessions on Tuesdays, Mass on Wednesdays, and class visits from one of the priests on Thursdays.

The Taste of KCK will be held once again this year at Resurrection school on Saturday, January 24.