

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: June 8, 2026

Fr. Cyrus opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Fr. Cyrus, Steve Baumann, John LoRusso, Juany Fumai, Cathy Romano, Tom Devine **Absent:** Tom Bonaventura, Matt Fair, Gracemary Avitabile, Mori Hahn, Bill Macnamara, Michele Harding Deacon Walter, Deacon Jim, Steve Bartush, Lucy Villavicencio.

Diocesan Initiative: we are finishing up our dinners with the clergy on June 20th. Also on August 29 there will be a ministry gathering with prayer, speaker and team building. Father is working with Dillon Harding to present the Hallow App to the parish

Outreach Ministries- On June 13, 14 Our Social Concerns Ministry will hold a food drive for children who are at risk of hunger during the summer months

Calendar Updates - March 21: Confirmation will be held this year on Saturday, February 27, 2:00pm.

New Business – Renovation Update - Interior painting is completed A new sound system is being installed by Westfair Sound Company, including additional microphones (2 wireless, 2 handheld) and new speakers, including outdoor speakers. Lighting will be upgraded, and additional lighting will be installed. One of the two confessionals is completed. The second confessional renovation will begin in a week.

150th Anniversary Gala - The Gala will be held on **October 3, at Longshore in Westport.** Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 PM. Priests who previously served at Assumption have been invited. Steve Baumann and Tom Devine are in the process of prepare a commemorative booklet and securing ads to help defray the cost of printing. The ads will be \$300 full page, \$200 half page and \$100 for a quarter page. They will begin soliciting next week.

Deacon Walter and Cathy Romano will prepare the Mass program. Michelle Hankey is in charge of arrangements for the gala at Longshore. Ticket price will be \$150 per person.

Additional Updates – The parish will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption on Saturday, August 15, at the 5:00pm Mass with an Irish/Italian dinner all are invited. Bible Camp will be offered on August 10, through 13 at 9am to noon and will use McGrath Hall and the school during the sessions. Registration is now open.

Religious Education registration is open. Ministry Platform is our new data base and we are in the process of learning it.

Fr. Cyrus will participate in a walking pilgrimage in Spain, *El Camino de Santiago (The Way of St. James)*, October 12–22, 2026.

Deacon Jim Meehan has been transferred to St. Philip Church in Norwalk starting July 1, 2026
Father Roldin Romero will be living at Assumption in residence and will help on weekends for Mass.
Fr. Joseph Yi will leave Assumption on August 30, 2026

Fr. Cyrus closed with prayer

Next Meeting – Tuesday September 8, at 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Romano