

COMBINED MONTHLY REPORTS

RECTOR, SENIOR WARDEN, JUNIOR WARDEN

JUNE & JULY, 2026

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This monthly Rector report to the vestry will include one report from me, and one from Fr. John, which covers the month of June while I was still away on sabbatical.

What a gift it was for the leadership of our church to support my wife and I during this three-month sabbatical in so many extremely generous and supportive ways:

- For financially covering the cost of my entire pilgrimage in Assisi and Retreat in New Jersey, and the majority of our Airbnb costs in Italy.
- For praying for us while we were away.
- For covering all the parish concerns in my absence; including completing a number of grounds and outside building issues that was a blessing to return to see the result! A special thank you to Megarie, our Sr. Warden who was the ecclesiastical authority in my absence, and to Fr. John who covered all liturgical and priestly concerns. Also, a special thank you to those who worked extra hours on these grounds matters.
- A deep gratitude as well for those within our parish who looked over my father in our absence. Especially Lynne Altimier who managed the lions share of his medical matters and she and Paul spending time with him. And Carol and Tracy Gargon taking him out several times, along with Bud and Sandra Herrold.

I plan to share some of my learning and awakening experiences on sabbatical with our parish in a setting at some point.

Apart from my standard staff, clergy, Morning Prayer meetings, during the month, these were my other activities over my portion of the month of July and into August:

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| 14 th | Standing Committee – Interviewed three postulants and approved for candidacy. |
| 21 st | Meeting to discuss recommended changes to our parish By Laws. |
| 23 rd | Meeting to finalize proposed changes to our parish By Laws. This will be sent to our area Vice Chancellor Susan Park to look over before it comes to our vestry for a vote. |
| 23 rd | Meeting with Cathy Gotschell to discuss her field placement at Good Shepherd. Cathy is postulant in discernment for the diaconate and has been assigned by the Bishop to Good Shepherd for training from the months of August 26 through sometime in April 2027. |
| 23 rd | Pray with a parishioner at her home prior to surgery. |

28th Elections official will be at church to look over our space in advance of the primary elections
29th Meeting with Megarie and Fr. John to discuss church activity while I was away on sabbatical.
August 1st Maggie Buonarosa memorial service

Fr. Joseph

ASSOCIATE RECTOR - FR. JOHN WARFEL

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I want to express my deepest appreciation to the deacons, vestry members and in particular, to our Senior Warden, for the unwavering support they gave to me during the Rector's sabbatical. In harmony with the strong and dedicated lay leadership that is unique to Good Shepherd, I enjoyed being your priest and pastoral presence these last three months.

My regularly scheduled meetings for the last two months were

- Vestry Meeting
- Community Dinners (2)
- Financial and Executive Meetings
- Staff Meetings
- Meetings with the Senior Warden
- Meeting with the Deacons
- Presided at 15 Eucharists
- Preached at 9 Eucharists

Other meetings and activities

- In office Meetings with Parishioners (scheduled and spontaneous)
- Home Visits (2)
- Hospital Calls (2)
- Home/Hospital Calls with the Reserve Sacrament (2)
- Unctions (3)
- Committals (1)

Respectfully submitted,
John Warfel+

SENIOR WARDEN - MEGARIE VAN SICKEL

Summer 2026 has proven to be a fairly quiet one even with Father Joseph gone on sabbatical. To me that shows not only what a cohesive leadership team we have but what loving parish we are. As one of our favorite hymns says “surely the presence of the Lord is in this place”. Quite a few improvements have been made to our church home as described in the Junior Warden’s report. My thanks to all those who worked so diligently on them! We are certainly ready for whatever comes next!

June 2026

- 6/3 Met with Father John
- 6/4 Met with Bob Sawyer
- 6/9 Finance Committee meeting
Executive Committee Meeting
Staff Meeting
- 6/9 Chaired the Vestry meeting
- 6/10 Attended the Community Dinner
- 6/11 Zoom meeting with Cannon Norman
- 6/13 Cursillo at Good Shepherd
- 6/17 Met with Father John
- 6/22 Meeting with Bob S. and Lynn A. at Merrill Lynch
- 6/23 Staff Meeting
- 6/24 Attended Community Dinner

July 2026

- 7/1 Met with Fater John
- 7/7 Finance Meeting
Met with Bob Sawyer regarding proposed by-law revisions

- 7/8 Attended Community Dinner
- 7/11 Cursillo at Good Shepherd
- 7/15 Staff Meeting
- 7/21 Met with Father Joseph and Bob Sawyer regarding by-law revisions
- 7/22 Outreach meeting regarding scholarship program and discussion regarding Mini Grant Program
- 7/23 Met with Father Joseph, Bob Sawyer & Richard Trautwein regarding by-law revisions
- 7/24 Phone meeting with Bob S, Lynne A & Merrill Lynch
- 7/28. Staff Meeting
- 7/29 Meeting with Father Joseph and Father John

JUNIOR WARDEN - PAUL ALTIMIER

During our summer season we have been busy. We completed maintenance on our A/C units and central system. We have had several calls on the dishwasher; these have been due to “spoons” getting jammed inside. John Buntel has come up with a fix in that he placed a protective screen inside to prevent utensils from jamming. The dishwasher works great as long as we maintain it properly.

Chef Paul completed the purchase of a mixer for the kitchen. This should complete any major purchases for the kitchen for the foreseeable future.

The windows have been cleaned. Turner Pest has maintained our Bait Stations and are controlling the rodent activity.

We sealed the parking lot and painted the curbs and lines. The lot will be sealed every 3-5 years.

Flood America installed the flood door system for the building, and Jamestown Painting completed caulking and weatherproof painting the exterior up to six inches. Our flood doors are store securely inside our utility shed and utility closet out back. The landscape crew and a few others will be trained to place the doors when a hurricane approaches.

The A/C window unit inside the Sacristy is failing. It will be replaced by the first week of August.

Faithfully submitted,

Paul Altimier
Jr. Warden