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Draft of Minutes For June 26, 2025 Pastoral Council Dinner/Meeting

The 6-26-25 Pastoral Council (PC) BBQ Dinner and Meeting was held in the St. Andrew Courtyard. There were 6 from the PC and 3 spouses in attendance.

Initially, we visited while Fr. Dave did his great salmon BBQ. It was potluck so Fr. Dave also provided beer and wine while others brought salads, desserts, etc.

After eating /visiting we started a brief meeting. We discussed what we had achieved during our PC year.. One of the significant achievements was bringing together the 9:30/English-speaking and 12:30/Spanish communities with one 10 AM Pentecost Mass (with a Mariachi band!) and lunch/socializing afterwards on June 8.

We then focused on some of the main issues we will probably meet in the next PC year. A big one is the Immigration documentation/deportation issue. Although Fr. Dave and Peter Anderson and others have been active in this area and achieved a lot (like passing out cards stating what immigrants could/couldn't do), Fr. Dave indicated it was not enough. ICE had just used our parking lot for one of it's operations that week. [Note that the head of ICE, Border Czar Homan, recently stated that ICE would now focus on Portland, OR.] We also need to look at how to contribute to St. Andrew, communications/cooperation among the English/Spanish/Mayan communities, and who would be on the PC for our next year.

Amen