



Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church
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OLIH Finance Council Meeting

August 27, 2025

Attendees

X	Matt Dougan	X	Laura DeVries
X	Tom Primmer	X	Holly Bevan
X	Melissa Oborny	X	Jason Sash
X	Brian Hagedorn	X	Pat Battani (Guest)
X	Laura Hofstrand	X	Fr. James Ankora

Review and Approve June 2025 Minutes

Motion to Approve: Melissa Oborny

Second: Laura DeVries

All in Favor

Review July 2025 Operating Report and Balance Sheet

- July month-end operating loss of \$11,353
 - Tithing was up 13.94%, but operating loss mostly due to three pay periods in the month
- Operating Account (#1000) balance down \$15,375 for the month, which mostly foots to the \$11,353 operating loss plus carry-over items clearing the account.
- Contracted Maintenance was \$3K in July
 - Grease interceptor cleaning, roof/ceiling water damage repair, and gutter cleaning
- Interest Income \$2,200 MTD
- Preschool prepaid income of \$21,365 was recorded in July

Motion to Approve: Laura Hofstrand

Second: Melissa Oborny

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June Bank Statement Review: Laura Hofstrand

July Bank Statement Review: Melissa Oborny

Pastor's Report

- Fr. James' one-year anniversary as Pastor August 25, 2025
- Fr. James obtained U.S. Citizenship! Congratulations!
- Continues parishioner outreach via home visits. He will incorporate "talking about money/tithing" more going forward. He wants to communicate and instill confidence that the parish is being a good steward of parishioners' money.

- Fundraising plan: October 2025 concert. Marian songs will be “auctioned” and performed by Fr. James. Potential for sale of recorded music, as well.
- Parish seems to be more active and welcoming...need to leverage this momentum and get this message out to the greater Ankeny community. “Live like Jesus and serve like Jesus” is the message we want to convey.
 - Potential to incorporate “acts of service” in the community
 - Paint houses of the poor, elderly, or needy
 - Have Faith Formation children visit nursing home residents, serve food, clean, or sing
- Additional fundraising ideas
 - OLIH Yard Signs “God is Good!” OLIH
 - 2026 Calendar Raffle. Buy a calendar for \$XXX and get a chance to win \$25 twice a week, and maybe higher amounts (\$500?) on Easter and Christmas Goal would be to net \$20,000 from sales.
- Tithing campaign to begin October 2025

ADA Update

- Goal \$297K
- \$283K collected YTD
- \$14K shortfall, but confident we can close this gap before the assessment is due in Feb 2026

Building and Grounds

- Physical plant
 - Grease interceptor now being cleaned monthly
 - \$15K chiller repair completed
 - Maintenance plan purchased with Carrier
 - \$35K annual cost
- MMC maintenance plan terminated
- Bell Brothers have maintained roof air handling equipment
 - Should get us to a stable condition until replacement end-of-life is needed
- Building control system selection and replacement plans being finalized.
 - Total cost estimated to be \$230K
 - Already approved/recommended by Finance Council
 - Basepoint Building Automation
- Baptismal Font...leak repairs needed
 - Granite repairs needed, plumbing repairs needed
 - Possible chemical deterioration due to water cleaning materials put into the water over the years.
- Insurance costs up 9%+ for the year
- Tech support (Tier 3) costs going up due to continued cyber threat control activities.
 - \$1100/ Month in extra costs
 - Total annual bill is \$4,400/mo now...will go to \$5,500/mo in October 2025
 - Custodial position recently hired
- Sound system needs adjusting. Communication Innovators and DB Acoustics have been contacted for bid submissions to fix.
 - Hopefully, the Foundation will help pay for these repairs

Next Meeting: Wednesday October 22, 7:30A.M., in the church library