



# ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE PARISH

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**Pastoral Council Meeting  
September 17, 2018  
6:30pm, Notre Dame Parish Center**

## **Agenda**

- 1. Opening Prayer**
- 2. Review/Approval of Minutes** (regular meeting of June 11)
- 3. Old Business**
  - a. Pastoral Plan**  
What's the word on the street?  
Update on sale of properties  
Parish office space/Catholic Charities  
Good Samaritan Food Pantry
  - b. Diocesan Capital Campaign**  
Committee and "case statement"
- 4. New Business**
  - a. Holy Harvest Festival** (September 16)  
How was the new location?
  - b. Daily Mass Schedule**  
Thursdays: 6:45am or 5:15pm?
  - c. Advent/Christmas 2018**  
Advent giving trees  
Schedule of Christmas Masses
  - d. Other business?**
- 5. Next Meeting: Monday, November 19, 6:30pm, Notre Dame Parish Center**
- 6. Closing Prayer**

## Opening Prayer

### Prayer to Saint Joseph for the Protection & Renewal of the Church

To you Saint Joseph we bring our broken hearts  
and all of the discouragement that weighs us down.

Impurity and scandal have wounded our Church  
and have brought much shame, sorrow and tears.

We ask you dearest Saint Joseph,  
to be our guide along this very dark path,  
for you are the model of faith, purity and devotion  
that we need so desperately.

May the Lord send forth the burning fire of the Holy Spirit,  
and renew the face of the Church, and the world.

May all who bear the title "Father", whether by nature or ordination,  
look to you as their model of virtue;

that they may lovingly protect and nurture those in their care.

Guide us to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your beloved bride,  
and to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the hope of all humanity.

O Saint Joseph, pray ceaselessly for the Church  
during this time of suffering and great mourning.

May this current pain inflicted upon the Church  
be transformed by the power of Christ's cross,  
and lead to further renewal and continued purification. Amen.

## Closing Prayer

Saint Brother André,  
we celebrate your presence among us.

Your loving friendship with Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
makes you a powerful intercessor with the Father.

Compassion carries your words straight to God's heart,  
and your prayers are answered and bring comfort and healing.

Through you, from our lips to God's ear,  
our supplications are heard.

We ask to be made a part of God's work, alongside you,  
in the spirit of prayer, compassion and humility.

Saint André Bessette, pray for us.