

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date February 13, 2019
 Time: 5:30 p.m.
 Place: St. Rose – Brendan Hall

Chairperson: Daniel Cochrane
 Prayer:, Ryne Raffaele

ATTENDANCE: Father Michael Fowler, Daniel Cochrane, John Connelly, Ryne Raffaele, Sean Terboss, Brian Gregory, Mary Mulligan, Steve Worboys, Robert Alexander, Brian Gregory, Joan Reid

ABSENT:

EXCUSED:

TRUSTEES: Joshua Belokur

GUEST: SP Parishioner, Maureen Kingston, Holly Murray

PRAYER	Ryne Raffaele led us in the opening prayer, a Valentine Prayer.
INTRODUCTION	Daniel Cochrane asked everyone to introduce themselves and the parish they represent. SP Parishioner asked to wait until Father Michael arrived to make her comments. Dan then asked to have the January minutes approved. The January r minutes were approved with corrections by all present.
HOLLY MURRAY	<p>Holly Murray, bookkeeper/cemetery gave an update on the status of the three cemeteries. She explained that each cemetery had received a grant from Holy Sepulchre in celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Rochester Diocese.</p> <p>St. Rose received \$10,700 for the following: repair of head stones and foundations, shingles on the roof of the vault, new sign for the cemetery, some new plantings, tree trimming, repairs and sealing the driveway, someone has volunteered for this piece, and replacement of the statue of Jesus. This cemetery still has sufficient site with room to expand. The cemetery has room for expansion.</p> <p>St. Paul of the Cross received \$28,000 for the following: removal of 4-5 trees, grind out the stumps, removal of debris, fill in depressions over graves and reseed, rebuild and paint the sign, replace the statue of the Blessed Virgin, new plantings, repair of headstones and foundations, clean and update the perimeter,.</p> <p>St. Agnes received \$31,226 for the following: repair driveways, survey to determine the number of sites available, perhaps build a columbarium, tree trimming and debris removal, and develop the area down the hill. This cemetery has limited space available.</p> <p>She said that presale of sites is possible at all cemeteries. Each plot can have 4 cremations. St Agnes and St. Paul of the Cross do not have the funds that the diocese would like them to have. If a site that had been sold has not been used in 100 years, it can be resold. She would like to have the ground penetrating process done at St. Agnes and St. Rose to ensure where there are burials and where there is space. This is expensive. She has standardized the cost of a plot at all cemeteries at \$750. The cost to open a site is also standardized at \$350. She has some of the records computerized for easier access .She will as time allows look up information for you. You may make a donation to a cemetery as part of a restricted fund.</p>
SP PARISHIONER	<p>SP Parishioner said that she came in 1999 to St. Paul of the Cross, and the church still looks like 1999. She offered some suggestions to bring the church into the 21st century. Her suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . move the crucifix in the back of church and hang over the altar. . change the color in that area . St Paul was a Passionist – symbol is a heart- there is not one in this church – maybe put one on the ambo . The statue of St. Paul is on the porch at 33 Monroe Street . Move the tabernacle back to the middle of the sanctuary . Would like a painting /mural of Our Lady of Guadalupe somewhere in the church <p>Dan suggested that she form a small committee, meet with Father Michael, and develop a plan to move forward with these suggestions. At a later time bring results back to the Parish Council.</p>
PASTORAL UPDATE FATHER MICHAEL	<p>Father’s report included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> .. Not much response to the appeal letters .Still need about \$15,000 <p>He was asked what the Lenten plans might be. He said that Dan Kashorek had suggested, ” Jesus and the Jews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 4th Cup of Wine” <p>Other suggestions were :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching Mass, Tradition vs. Prayer, Shroud of Turin, ask someone to speak other than Father, Best Lent Ever, Dynamic Catholic

	<p>. The newsletter will be out soon with the times and locations for the Holy Week events. Father was asked about the “History of the Rochester Diocese Book”. What are we going to do with all of them? He said that there are several at each church. Sean said that it is a beautiful book. He is in the printing business and said that it is a very good value.</p>
OLD BUSINESS	<p>Dan said that we still need I more representative from St. Rose. The report on the Safety Awareness Program will be discussed at the March meeting. Joan passed around the Prayer & Refreshment list to be completed.</p>
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OPEN FORUM	<p>. Dan voiced concern about the steps to the center door at St. Agnes were not cleared following the last snowfall . Father explained that this had already been dealt with. . Joan gave an update on the progress being made at the Old St. Agnes Rectory. . Discussion about the use of the fans at St. Rose. The people are complaining of being chilly. Since heat rises, the point of the fans is to push the heat back down to a lower level where the people are. Adjusting the thermostat constantly does not fix the problem. Turn the fans on prior to Mass and see if this fixes the problem. John said that they have adjusted them so that they are not so noisy. . Everyone likes Father’s message in the Bulletin. . It was suggested that the Stations of the Cross at St. Agnes need to be refurbished. . Bob asked if there is a Mission statement for the Parish Council. Yes. Dan will bring copies to the March meeting. . John said that we need a new picture of the Council. This will be taken at the March meeting. . Sean said that any printing that needs to be done, he would be happy to take care of at the business where he works. . Dan suggested that we sponsor a reception for the Musicians form the three parishes. We had one last year for those who assist at Funerals. . The priest at St. Matthews had had to step done due to poor health.</p>
AGENDA MARCH MEETING	<p>.. Lenten Plans . Representative form St. Rose . Copies of the Parish Council Mission Statement . Photo of Parish Council . Date for the reception for the Musicians</p>
NEXT MEETING	March 13, 2019 at 5:30 pm at St. Agnes
CLOSING PRAYER	Ryne Raffaele
PRAYER & REFRESHMENTS	Prayer – Refreshments –

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED – Joan Reid