

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 08, 2016  
 Time: 7:00 p.m.  
 Place: St. Agnes

Chairperson: Daniel Marcellus  
 Prayer: Daniel Cochrane

ATTENDANCE: Father Michael Fowler, Ryne Raffaele, David Shaffer, Daniel Cochrane, Joseph LaGreca,  
 Frank Reynolds, Barbara Kolstee, Elizabeth Dowd, Daniel Marcellus, Steve Worboys

EXCUSED: Joan Reid

ABSENT:

TRUSTEES: Ted Zornow

GUEST: Maureen Kingston

Report	Discussion
WELCOME DANIEL MARCELLUS	Daniel Marcellus opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone to the November meeting.
PRAYER DANIEL COCHRANE	Daniel Cochrane led us in the opening prayer.
INTRODUCTIONS DANIEL MARCELLUS	Daniel M. asked everyone to introduce themselves describe what they like about our church/cluster. Some of the terms in responses included: unity, history, community, strength of diversity, Sunday Mass, spirit, sincerity, comfortable, Catholic School, necessity of clustering, ministry involvement.
PASTORAL COUNCIL DANIEL MARCELLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The minutes of the September meeting were presented. Frank moved to accept the minutes as presented. Father Michael seconded the motion and all agreed to approve the motion.</li> <li>➤ Maureen Kingston introduced herself as a guest that wanted to experience the Pastoral Council meeting and express an interest in getting greater parishioner involvement in church ministries.</li> <li>➤ In the past two meetings there has been a request for additional information sharing in areas of operations, faith formation, finance, school, cluster office, and cemetery to allow members share this information and answer questions. The formal request was for a monthly report available via email or posted online. Additionally, the key representative from one of these areas would present at Pastoral Council meeting each month for a more in depth review and discussion.</li> <li>➤ Daniel C. informed the council that diocese guidelines require a Building &amp; Grounds Committee which we do not formally have.</li> <li>➤ Golden Circle Exercise:                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Primary objective is to rebuild cluster and increase the sense of community. This is about the Pastoral Council’s Leadership.</li> <li>○ Reinvigorate current members, engage past members &amp; invite new members. Defining the “target markets” (different messages)</li> <li>○ We are called to go forth and evangelize.</li> <li>○ Homework is to define the WHY. Complete the statement: I believe....</li> <li>○ We cannot deal with barriers outside the cluster.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
PAROCHIAL ADM. UPDATE FATHER MICHAEL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Finance council(s) to be re-instituted starting with Father Michael, Brian Denny, &amp; parish Trustees as members.</li> <li>● Father reported that he approached the diocese gain the service of an additional priest to allow for concurrent Sunday masses. The request was denied due to lack of an available priest.</li> <li>● The school has a strong desire to reintroduce a 6<sup>th</sup> grade call in September 2017. Ten to twelve student families have expressed interest. This would be sufficient enrollment to bring back the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Total enrollment in K – 5 is approximately 70 pupils.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saint Paul of the Cross has received one purchase offer for the sale 37 Monroe Street. The offer is being reviewed by the Diocese of Rochester.</li> <li>• CMA contribution updates are being posted in the weekly bulletin by parish for all to see. The campaign video will be shown at weekend Masses Nov 19 &amp; 20 with the exception of St. Rose due to logistical challenges. St Rose has nearly met their goal. Father will speak from the pulpit at St. Rose. Video may be shown at St. Rose in the future. An appeal to the diocese for a reduction in the goal amount for St. Agnes provided reduction of approximately \$3,400 or 10%.</li> <li>• Father distributed copies <u>Rebuilt</u> to be read to assist in building a blueprint of revitalization for our cluster. Elizabeth suggested each council member take more detailed notes on a section they could then present to other council members.</li> <li>• The concept of stewardship was discussed in general and specifically for financial giving. A firm plan is not yet in place however; some program is desired to offset the significant capital costs needed to maintain each parish.</li> </ul>
OPEN FORUM	<p>Fr. Michael noted that he had hoped that the group from St. Agnes requesting a mid Sunday morning Mass would continue to work on proposals for alternatives to our current schedule. It was suggested that alternative solutions would be framed first, before giving the discussion visibility in the cluster.</p> <p>Daniel C – Finance Council should be reinstated      Inquired if there was any action taken on the car donation suggestion      Suggestion to replace missing stations of the cross as part of St Agnes 150 anniversary      Requested of us that all future Holy Days of obligation have an 8:15am student Mass at St Agnes.</p> <p>Barb K – Leaving for Florida in early January</p> <p>Ryne R – Seeking representatives for Stewardship efforts. The approach will be parish focused, vs. cluster. Ryne has information on a save the brick campaign.</p> <p>Ted Z – Why has there been no substantial financial updates in over two years. Where is Brian Denney?</p> <p>David S – There is repeated focus on building community. Should our efforts be focused at the parish or cluster level? All agreed this should be at the cluster level.</p>
NEXT MEETING LOCATION & DATE	The next meeting will December 14, 2016 at 7pm at St. Paul of the Cross, HF, NY
PRAYER & REFRESHMENT	Stephen Worboys will provide the opening and closing prayers and refreshments.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: David Shaffer