

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 13, 2016
 Time: 7:00 p.m.
 Place: St. Paul of the Cross

Chairperson: Daniel Marcellus
 Prayer: Daniel Marcellus

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

EXCUSED: Barbara Herman, Steve Kruk

ABSENT: Joseph LaGreca, Cindy Drexler

TRUSTEES: Lorraine Hoffman, Roger Greiten, Ted Zornow

GUEST: Bonnie Deprez, Elizabeth Jensen

| Report | Discussion |
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| WELCOME DANIEL MARCELLUS | Daniel Marcellus opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone to the September meeting. |
| PRAYER DANIEL MARCELLUS | Daniel Marcellus led us in the opening prayer. |
| DANIEL MARCELLUS | Daniel asked everyone to introduce themselves and the parish that they are from. |
| PASTORAL COUNCIL FATHER MICHAEL ELIZABETH JENSEN | Father Michael began with saying that the Church is in a decline, in attendance, offerings, reception of the sacraments, and participation in the life of the parish. We cannot survive a continual decline. There is the greatest need for hope and faith. He then introduced Elizabeth Jensen, the new Principal of St. Agnes School. She presented a program, "Golden Circle- the Why? How? and What? of Parish Council. She then asked the group to identify "why" they were there. These ideas were listed on a white paper. Then she asked "how" these ideas might happen. And finally she asked "what" would it take to make them happen. These ideas were also listed on a white paper. She asked how do successful leaders inspire action? She said not to confuse leadership with control. Great leaders lead by inspiration and motivation, not by control. People are motivated by what you do, not why you do it. This exercise prompted a lot of thought and some discussion as to possible ideas for future consideration. |
| BONNIE DEPREZ | Bonnie said that there are bids out for the masonry work that needs to be done at St. Rose and St. Paul of the Cross. |
| FATHER MICHAEL | Father Michael said that the Finance Committees are essentially non-functioning and need to be re built. This is a goal for the coming year. |
| OPEN FORUM | 1.It was suggested that the size of Fund Raising Committee needs to be increased. 2. It was brought up that there are some errors on the front page of the Bulletin. Father will address them with Ann. 3. The new roof at St. Paul of the Cross is under way. |
| NEXT MEETING LOCATION & DATE | The next meeting will be October 11, 2016 at 7pm at St. Rose in Lima, NY |
| PRAYER & REFRESHMENT | David Shaffer will provide the opening and closing prayers and refreshments. |

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Joan Reid