

Sacred Heart Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday January 9, 2020

Attendees:

Parish Council Members: President, Al Smith, Vice- President, Sal DeDominicis, Secretary, Meg Guerriero, Nancy Priemer, Susan Strait, Mary-Ann Butch, Lenny Cossette, Mary Murray, David O'Brien. Not attending: Ann Leavitt, Judi LaBreque, Micheala Rosenberger

Staff: Monsignor Clancy

Trustees: Paul Lichtenberger

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by Al Smith. Msgr. Clancy led the group in an opening prayer.

Parishioners Comments: NONE

Previous month's meeting minutes: The meeting minutes for November 14, 2019 were distributed and read by the group. They were accepted without changes.

Committee Reports

Prayer & Worship: Report given by P. Lichtenberger. Committee has not met. They will meet in early February to start planning for Lent & Easter. There will be 3 new servers. Investiture ceremony on Jan 26.

Christian Formation: No report submitted

Finance Council: No report submitted

Justice and Human Concerns: No report submitted

Old Business:

"Sacred Heart Church in Bloomfield Weekend": Planning meeting was held. Looking at the date of June 6/7. The hope is to expand visibility within the community. Celebrate Bloomfield may interfere with date. More work to be done with this after hours.

St. Anne's Mission: Mary spoke with Brother George. They need durable clothing. Would like to organize a clothing drive during lent. Ship the clothing to them. They need winter blankets, Art Supplies, Children Toys. Prayer Shawl is working on items to send. It was brought up that money may be more helpful. Shipping used clothing and goods from Connecticut will have high costs.

Parish Council ID tags have been passed out: At least, 1 Parish Council member must be present at church events.

New Business:

Parish Council Nomination Process: Parish Council will be seeking an alternative method for members. More information at a later date.

Pastors Report:

- Forward with Faith exceeded the goal (over \$300K)
- Christmas masses went well. Well-attended. Great job by all.
- New Years day mass is a holy day of obligation and attendance was low.
- In future planning, for Christmas Eve mass it would be wise to have greeters and seaters to help get people to seats quickly and with ease.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm after a closing prayer was led by Monsignor Clancy.

Respectfully submitted,

Meghann Guerriero, Secretary