

St. PETER'S ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH ~ St. Dominic ~ St. Felix ~ St. Francis
Parish Council Meeting Agendas
Wednesday November 15, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Attendees:

Father Amato
Jim Cobbett
Susanne Finewood
Patrick Ryan (Chair)
Lynne Colacino(Secretary)
Jean Landschoot (Trustee)
Mary Ellen Darling (Trustee)
Mary Seely (Business Manager)

Opening Prayer led by Father Amato

Presentation of the Minutes (Lynne Colacino)

A motion was by Jim Cobbett to accept the May 30, 2023, Parish Council minutes. A second was made by Susanne Finewood. There were no formal minutes from the informal meeting which took place on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 as a quorum was not reached. Pat Ryan read notes from the discussion regarding important dates.

Old Business

- Important Dates:

Wreath Making – Sunday November 26, 2024 @ Parish Center

Rorate Mass – Saturday, December 9, 2024 @ 6:30am St. Dominic

Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, December 9, 2024 following mass at the Parish Center

Christmas Pageant – Saturday, December 16, 2024 @ 5:30pm at the Parish Center

St. Joseph's Table – March 16, 2024 It was suggested to have the Confirmation class assist with this event.

Fruit of the Vine – Saturday April 27, 2024

Corpus Christi – Sunday, June 2, 2024 There will be only two masses: 8:00am and 10:00am. The procession will take place at St. Dominic. The Knights of Columbus from our Parish and Canandaigua will participate. More details to follow as the date approaches.

- New Missal/Hymnal – have been delivered and will begin being used at the Saturday, December 2nd mass
- Simpson Center Update was provided by Father Amato. Five contractors will do a walk through and submit bids for demo and asbestos removal. The plumber is scheduled to start on the 20th however cannot begin work until appropriate paperwork is filed. To date, he has placed flags where to dig.

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New Business

- Father Amato shared the plans for Advent. Parishioners will have two mass obligations to fulfill due to how the fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas fall on the calendar. Father Amato will make note of this in the bulletin. Mass times are as follows:

12/23/23 Saturday 4:00pm – St. Dominic

12/24/23 Sunday 8:00am – St. Felix

10:00am – St. Francis *No Noon mass

4:00pm – St. Dominic (Christmas Family mass)

12/25/23 Monday 12:00am – St. Francis (midnight mass)

10:00am – St. Felix

- Father Amato shared that two significant donations were made. From the sale of Deacon Ed's estate, \$48,000. was gifted and entered into the Parish savings account. Mary Louise Broderick, from St. Dominic gifted \$3,000. Father asked that the council members keep both donors in their prayers.
- Parish Council Leadership Selection

Unanimous nomination and selection took place for each of the following positions:

Chair - Pat Ryan, Vice Chair – Jim Cobbett, Secretary – Lynne Colacino

There is a need to build up Parish Council membership due to the recent resignations.

Next Meeting: Wednesday January 17, 2024, at 7PM at the Rectory, Clifton Springs

Adjourn: A motion was made by Susanne Finewood to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Jim Cobbett.

Closing Prayer led by Father Amato

Parish Governance Policy –

<https://ps.dor.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/Parish-Governance-Policy.pdf>

KEY POLICY STATEMENTS:

Revised by: The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano Last Revised: November 20, 2018

• **Parish Pastoral Councils**

- The Diocese of Rochester requires each parish to have a Pastoral Council.

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- The term of office is three years. A member may serve two consecutive three-year terms. After one year of a break in service, a new cycle may commence.
- The recommended size is from 7 to 15 parishioners and should represent the demographic make-up of the parish. The Pastor and other employees of the parish are not considered members. The Council should have a chairperson and a secretary.
- Meeting should be held at least four times per year and minutes should be taken.
- The primary purpose of the Pastoral Council is to advise the Pastor on the development and implementation of a parish mission, vision, priorities, and direction.
- All Parishioners that serve in these positions need to be aware of the expectations and responsibilities of these positions so the appropriate policies, procedures and guidelines should be shared with them.