

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, January 8, 2025, 7:00 PM Conference Room**

Present: Laura De Boisblanc, Paul Capetillo, Antonio Del Rosario, Fr. Hilbert, Kenn Kern, Marguerite Lucarelli, John Mancuso, Sabrina Ng, Letty Moss-Salentijn, Fr. Yesalonia.

Absent: Ben Denihan.

1. **Prayer.** Fr. Yesalonia opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. **Review of Minutes, 11 December 2024.** The members reviewed the December 11 Parish Council meeting minutes and the Pastor asked for any necessary emendations. The minutes were approved after a small correction in wording.
3. **Report: Pastor.** Fr. Yesalonia gave an update of various events and works of the parish, including, in no particular order:
  - a. **Christmas.** The Christmas Eve and Day Masses were well attended. Collections have improved, though they remain below pre-Covid numbers.
  - b. **February Meeting.** Due to conflicting schedules, the February Parish Council meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will be on March 12.
4. **Implementation Initiative - Update.** Kenn Kern shared the revised draft of the biannual parish update on the Vision Statement Implementation Plan initiatives, which incorporates edits from his fellow Parish Council members. A central email address will be set up for interested parishioners to send inquiries.
5. **Parish Recognition of Fr. Bergen.** Fr. Yesalonia presented the idea of honoring Fr. Bergen's legacy through the designation of the new spirituality office as the "Fr. Bergen Office of Ignatian Spirituality". The Parish Council unanimously endorsed Fr. Yesalonia's proposal.
6. **Sister Parish in Gaza, Holy Family Church.** Pax Christi has approached St. Ignatius Loyola with the opportunity to become a sister parish to Holy Family Church in Gaza. The Parish Council agreed that before any decision can be made, additional information

is needed on what being a sister parish would entail and the possible impacts it could have on St. Ignatius Loyola's own needs.

**7. Other Business.**

**Father Yesalonia concluded the meeting with prayer.**

**The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.**

**The next meeting is Wednesday, 12 March 2025, in the Conference Room.**

Respectfully submitted.

Paul Capetillo.