

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 7:00 – 8:30 PM Conference Room

Present: Laura De Boisblanc, Paul Capetillo, Antonio Del Rosario, Fr. Hilbert, Marguerite Lucarelli, John Mancuso, Letty Moss-Salentijn, Sarah Tintle, Fr. Yesalonia

Absent: Jim Braniff

Agenda

1. **Prayer.**
2. **Review of Minutes, 9 November 2022.** The members received the minutes from the November 9 Parish Council meeting and the Pastor asked that any comments be sent to him. The minutes were accepted as presented.
3. **Report:** Pastor. Fr. Yesalonia reported the following:
 - A. **Ministry Council Meeting.** The Ministry Council met on December 12 and discussed the following:
 - a. Several ministries are reporting an uptick of participation, such as in IYA, Meeting Christ in Prayer, and LGBT Catholics and Friends.
 - b. Attendance at in-person ministry events and COVID related concerns.
 - c. Other concerns and challenges the ministries are facing.
 - B. **COVID Protocols.** With the rise of COVID cases, the Superintendent of Schools is encouraging the use of face masks once more. As of now, there has been no church related mandates.
 - C. **Holiday Concerts.** The December 11 Christmas concert had an impressive 600 attendees. The upcoming concert on December 18 has already sold 750 tickets.
 - D. **Provincial Apostolic Visitation.** The Provincial Apostolic Assistant met with representatives from the parish community, ministries, and staff to collect feedback on parish life and generate a report. If received by the Pastor, this report will be shared.

4. **Status Report: Vision Statement Implementation.** All four committees have met as of December 11. While it will be a process for members to fully understand what is already happening in the parish and how the action plans will build upon this foundation, the chairpersons have been impressed by the level of the members' engagement and enthusiasm. A full report for the chairpersons will be due to the Pastor in the next week.
5. **Topic Selections for Future Meetings.** Parish Council members presented the following topics for discussion:
 - a. Themes for future lectures, such as post-COVID mental health issues, the nature and cycle of violence, and an art series with a tactile experience.
 - b. How to create a focus on young people at the parish and encourage youth participation.
 - c. Faith formation for parents.
 - d. How to encourage and celebrate diversity in the parish.
6. **Other Business.**
 - A. **Event Refreshment Form.** To standardize the purchase of refreshments for ministry-sponsored events, there will now be a standardized order form. The ministry head hosting the event will submit the form to Rebecca Brucas, Assistant to the Pastor, who will then place the order.
 - B. **Upcoming Construction at Loyola School.** Loyola School is adding an addition to their building, utilizing space from the courtyard between the church and school. Preparations will start in January and construction will begin in March. The project will include a budget for consultants to ensure proper precautions are taken to protect the Parish's historic building.

The Pastor concluded the meeting with prayer.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

The next meeting is Wednesday, 11 January 2023, in the Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted.

Paul Capetillo.