

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 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 September 2024.** The members received the September 11 Parish Council meeting minutes and the Pastor asked that any comments be sent to him. The minutes were approved.
3. **Report: Pastor.** Fr. Yesalonia gave an update of various events and works of the parish, including, in no particular order:
 - a. **Lay Trustee.** Due to her new full-time position at the parish, Pattie Hughes has stepped down as lay trustee. Sabrina Ng has agreed to take on the position.
 - b. **Audit.** The annual audit has shown that the financial health of the parish is strong.
 - c. **New Offices.** To meet the growing needs of the parish staff, Fr. Bergen's bedroom will be converted into two new offices and a communal bathroom. The offices will be used for Treasury and IT.
 - d. **Fr. Bergen's Contact Information.** Fr. Bergen may be contacted via mail at the following address: Fr. William Bergen SJ, Murray-Weigel Hall, 515 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458.
4. **Implementation Initiative - Update.** All four working groups have made a strong start on rolling out their respective initiatives. Parish Council members discussed their successes, as well as impediments they currently face while trying to implement other initiatives. For initiatives requiring parishioner support and additional resources, Fr. Yesalonia suggests that Parish Council members advertise their needs

in the bulletin and e-newsletter. This will help to promote the initiative, drive participation, and secure success.

5. **Parish Trip to Rome, Jubilee Year - Update.** Fr. Hilbert updated the Parish Council on the status of the 2025 parish trip to Rome. As of now, there are nine registrants. Registration is open until April 30, 2025.
6. **Other Business.**

**Father Yesalonia concluded the meeting with prayer.
The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.**

**The next meeting is Wednesday, 11 December 2024, in the
Conference Room.**

Respectfully submitted.
Paul Capetillo.