

Parish Council Minutes
March 9, 2021

Present: Bob Siegel, Char Snoop, David Paquet, Gina Mol, Sara Hormuth, Steve Barton, Fr. Rick Potts, Debbie Macy

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 PM via Zoom. Steve Barton opened with prayer. The minutes of the February 9, 2021 meeting were approved.

Fr. Rick's Report:

- We fell short on our CSA goal. The parish will have to pay the difference.
- We anticipate approximately \$10,000 profit from the Friday raffles.
- Amazon Smile campaign: we need to set up St. Alphonsus with Amazon.
- We are moving to change from Facebook to YouTube as a NGO (non-governmental organization) for our live streaming needs.
- Numbers are up at all masses (ushers are needed).
- Catherine's Care is getting the vaccine this week.
- Our secretary, Sherri Mamagona, is resigning; she will stay until a replacement is found.
- The Bishop's Capital Campaign has started at St. Alphonsus. Fr. Rick is looking for 25 ambassadors to make phone calls. Training will be provided.
- Young at Heart will be starting some of their activities.
- Cards are being sent to new parishioners as well as welcome baskets being presented at mass.
- Fr. Rick and Fr. Chung are working on a system to identify and get to know new parishioners. They are also working on a funeral packet: workshop on livings wills and encouraging preplanning funerals.
- Fr. Rick stated they are trying to promote new lay leadership within our parish.
- Parish Council elections: Fr. Rick asked that we move the elections until things have opened up in the fall, possibly aligning with the school year. Terms for Gina Mol, Debbie Macy, and David Paquet will be up.
- Capital Campaign Needs: People willing to serve as ambassadors. There will be training and a script. Calls will be made from St. Alphonsus.
- The Education Endowment fund will contribute a percentage of the \$3,300 per student fee.
- Scott is working on a maintenance/repair list (water damage, carpeting).
- Envelope packets: The Capital envelope will be replaced with Parish Maintenance.
- We will have two or three Redemptorist students again this summer.
- It was suggested that our May meeting be held outside.

David Paquet brought up our Strategic Planning meeting from last year at which we identified parish-wide goals. It was suggested that a document be developed identifying our parish goals which would be shared with the parish. It was suggested that our April meeting focus on the identified goals.

Fr. Rick stated that we need to develop ways for our parishioners to get back to being involved in the parish. Our people are starving for social interaction.

The next Parish Council meeting will be Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 6:30 PM via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Macy
Secretary