

SFDC Parish Council Minutes 10-02-2018

Location:	De Chantal Hall	Leader:	Jim Corbett
Date:	10/02/2018	Note Taker:	Maria Brogli
Time:	7pm – 8:00pm	Call In #:	Revised:
Attendees:	<p>Present:, Msgr. John Graham, Fr. Robert Mensah, Eileen Albin, Sr. Patricia Brito, Maria Brogli, Nancy Carfora, Liz Castagna, Christi Chiapetti-Costa, Theresa Chrinos, John Connolly, Jim Corbett Heriberto Diaz, Margie DiSilvio, Liz Donnelly, Leo Gonzalez, Marianne Hughes, Sandra Maldonado, Jack McCarrick, Peggy McKeegan, Donna McVey, Monique Moussot, Peter Moussot, John Mullane, Bernadette O’Hara, Reynaldo Ramirez, Candida Rosa, Isabel Soto, Sarah Trosa, Johnathan Trosa, Dan Trosa, Lonna Casaliggi, Deacon Fernando Vazquez, Ysidro Mora</p> <p>Excused: Fr. Dennis Iddamalghoda , Maryanne Keeney, Rosemary Lillis, Ed McCauley, Victoria Moussot, Emily Mutze, Sean Mota, Margie O’Brien, Joy Costan-Vanadio, Antonia Valdez, Marge Weihler,</p> <p>Absent: Judi Desouter,</p>		

AGENDA ITEMS		Presenter
1. Opening Prayer/ Pledge of Allegiance	All	
2. Minutes Approval	Approved	
3. Pastor’s Report	Msgr. Graham	
4. Liturgy Report	Margie DiSilvio	
5. Area Mission/Evangelization:	Monique Moussot	
6. SFDC School	Sister Patricia Brito	
7. New Business	Open	
8. Next Meeting	Officers	Tuesday November 13, 2018
9. Closing Prayer	All	

Notes (Minutes)

- **Opening Prayer:** All
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** All
- **Minutes Approval - Approved**
- **Pastors Reports:**
 - 1- Renew & Rebuild pledge total is at \$405,000. This is 48% of the goal set for the parish. Samantha from the Archdiocese will speak at the Masses on October 27/28 to the general congregation. Additional parish pledges will be solicited in November. A special bank account has been opened at TD Bank for deposits from the Archdiocese. Thank you for a great start from some very generous parishioners.
 - 2- Integrated heating and A/C systems has made a proposal for the replacement of the current system. The system is 50 years old. The actual cost is \$556,000, if we receive Con Edison rebates – then it will lower the cost to \$448,600.
 - 3- The school, convent, rectory and the church are undergoing a lighting review. Con Edison would pay \$112,000 for the update. The parish would pay \$63,000. We would see reductions of \$30,000 a year on the electric bill. This would pay for itself in 2 years.
 - 4- The Living Rosary is scheduled for October 7th (the Feast of the Holy Rosary). There will e a bi-lingual 11:30 A.M. mass, followed by the rosary English, Spanish and Italian. Thanks goes to the Spirituality/Liturgy Committee.
 - 5- CCD is sponsoring a project called SHOEBOXES which fills shoeboxes for needy children throughout the world. A student speaker will present this at Masses on October 13/14. Thanks to the Social Action Committee for encouraging this CCD project.
 - 6- Three convalidations and 1 baptism will be celebrated on October 13 thanks to the pastoral work of Monsignor and Deacon Vazquez.
 - 7- Thank you to the school children for a touching farewell to Fr. Stephen. Thank you to Liz Castagna and company for a beautiful reception on Sunday, September 23rd. Fr. Stephen was so happy for the outpourings of love and respect. He will be missed.
 - 8- The Sisters of Life will direct the Vigil Mass of the Immaculate Conception on December 7. A holy Hour with the intention of healing of the church and our faith during these times of sexual abuse.
 - 9- Tentative date for the women’s retreat day with the Sisters of Life is March 20, 2019.

10- DeChantal Hall will be a polling site on Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Thank you to Leo Gonzalez and Jim Corbett for a smooth operation on Primary Day in September.

11- Parent meetings were held for CCD parents and a meeting for the Confirmation program. The 10a.m. Family Mass seems to be working well.

- **Liturgy Report (Margie DiSilvio):**

The rosary novena ends on October 7th. There is a bilingual mass scheduled with a living rosary following the mass. The various groups and committees in the church will participate, with each decade being said by different groups. Decades will be said in English, Spanish and Italian. October 7th is the feast day of The Holy Rosary and the 54-day novena ends on the same day. Anyone wishing to participate in the 54-day rosary should meet at 3:50p.m. inside the church.

- **Area Mission/Evangelization (Monique and Peter Mousot):**

John Mullane set up the Firehouse to be used in Edgewater Park for All Saints Day. There is a steering Committee meeting scheduled for Oct 18th for recommendations for the 2019 Mission.

A handout entitled "Top 3 Reasons I Am Catholic" was distributed, thanks to Peter and Monique Mousot. There are explanations in theological terms. Any questions can be compiled and answered at another time.

A reminder was given for the Throggs Neck Houses, Silver Beach and Locust Point communities for the pray night in the community.

- **Other Organizations:**

(Monique Mousot)

The Young Adult Society were originally committed to just the summer but have set up events to continue throughout the year on a monthly basis.

(Sarah Trosa)

The Young Teen Group sponsored the Escape Café in September. It had a good response and was excellently put together and fun to do. \$135 was raised. The YTG will celebrate their 10th year anniversary on Friday, Oct 5th.

- **CCD Program (Christi Chiapetti-Costa):**

90 kids are enrolled. No new kids are enrolled. Have 5 confirmations and 3 communions from the Villa Maria being done at our parish.

- **SFDC School (Sister Patricia Brito):**

The archdiocese scores improved 52% in math proficiency. Local scores will be given to the parents. Incorporating the kids into the 10 am mass with the CCD kids and will be participating in the Living Rosary. They have 26 cheerleaders and are starting Keyboarding lessons in October. Approximately 10 students per cycle.

- **Social Events:**

SHOEBOX program (Mauve Ryan) – fill shoeboxes for children throughout the world for Christmas

Salute to America Show (Maria Brogli) – November 17th at 6:30 pm – More info to come

Choir – Concerts planned for: October 21 – Praise and Worship, December 16 – Lessons & Carols and March 17 – St. Patrick/St. Joseph All three choirs will be participating.

- **New Business and questions:**

Thanksgiving baskets – food traditionally given to Jeanne Jugan Residence.

Christmas toys – through the school, open to the parish and given to the Mercy Center. They pick up the toys.

Coat Drive will be done again – headed by Marge Weihler

Sunday we will be starting a Matrimony Movement with 18 couples. It is a support group for people who are married.

This was organized by Ysidro Mora and his wife

The Parish council will form a committee to determine if a mass should be done to install the parish council and introduce them to everyone.

A proposal of saying the St. Michael and/or Hail Holy Queen prayers at the end of Mass. The S/L Committee will take this up and report back. These would be personal prayers and not priest lead. Vatican II considered these devotionals to be personal prayers.

Next meeting is Tuesday November 13th in de Chantal hall.

Future meeting dates are as follows:

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Tuesday, June 11, 2019