

# St. Frances de Chantal – Parish Council Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2020

## Opening:

The regular meeting of the St. Frances de Chantal Parish Council was called to order at 7 pm Nov. 10, 2020 by Jim Corbett.

## Attendance:

Present in St. Frances de Chantal		Attended via ZOOM
Candida Rosa	Madeline Morani - Excused	Antonia Valdez
Donna McVey	Maria Brogli	Christi Costa
Eileen Albin	Margie DiSilvio	Jack Murphy
Fr. Ricardo Garcia	Margie O'Brien	Jonathan Trosa - Excused
Fr. Robert Mensah	Marianne Hughes	Maria Brogli
Heriberto Diaz	Maryanne Keeney	Marge Wiehler
Jack McCarrick	Monique Moussot	Rosemary Lillis
Jim Corbett	Monsignor John Graham	Sarah Trosa - Excused
John Connolly	Nancy Carfora	Ysidro Mora
Joy Vanadio	Paul Sciacchitano	
Liz Castagna	Peter Moussot	
Liz Donnelly	Sean Mota	
	Sr. Patricia Brito	

## Opening Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance

## Approval of Minutes from October / Pastor's Report

- The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.
- **Pastor's Report** Msgr. John Graham ... report was reviewed, and three items discussed:
  - **#14** Christmas Eve Mass Schedule ... based on prior experience, a bilingual Mass could exceed the Covid capacity restrictions. The options presented are because Msgr. G. is trying to avoid turning anyone away and accommodate parishioners ... a coupon with options is in the bulletin for parish feedback.
  - **# 9** Clarification: the 4 pm Holy Hour on Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> was to celebrate end of the worldwide 54 Day Rosary Novena
  - **#15** Correction: The dates of the Christmas Flea Market are 12/5 and 12/6.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- **Fiscal Review** - Paul Sciacchitano ... answered general questions for items:
  - **Fund Raising** ... last year was 14,000 compared to 9,187 from this year
  - **Perquisites** ... is the term money that is given to Msgr. G to use as he sees fit... example: A parishioner gives \$20 and says, "Please use this \$20 towards whatever you think the parish needs."
  - **Utilities** ... were 98,000 last year compared to 72,749 this year (include three months church was closed) ... a parishioner that works for ConEdison tried to get additional clarification on how the amount was tabulated but it remains a bit vague as to how Con Ed does their billing.
  - **PPP** ... is the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). It allows small businesses that have suffered financially due to the COVID-19 outbreak to apply for loans, which can be forgiven if used to cover payroll and mortgage costs.

- **School:** - Sister Patricia - Students and teachers doing very well. Parents often remark how much they appreciate the safety efforts and understand the complexity of teachers attentively working with remote and in person students' simultaneously.
- **Msgr. Graham** – Rite Aid offering free Flu Shots at SfDC on Nov 22
- **CDD** - Christi Costa 43 children enrolled in CCD
- **Holy Name Society** – Jack McCarrick
  - The November meeting was in remembrance of honor of deceased members and Michael Curtin & Frank Reale.
  - Planning a Blood Drive for Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>. Registration and safety precautions will be in effect.
- **Nocturnal Adoration** – Jack McCarrick covering for Bernie O’Harra
  - Gift for new adoration books will be used to purchase the beautiful Magnificat Adoration Companion book.
- **Social Activities Committee** - Maria Brogli - Coat Drive – in progress.
- **Spirituality / Liturgy** – Margie DiSilvio
  - The English Prayer Group celebrates their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> with a Holy Hour and Rosary led by Msgr. Graham at 7:30 pm in the church. All are welcome.
  - Due to Covid, we are not planning an Anointing Mass this December.
- **Evangelization** - Monique Moussot
  - Edgewater Park 4<sup>th</sup> All Souls Day was well attended. Sincere thanks to Msgr. Graham and Fr. Robert for leading a rosary on the waterfront, during gale force winds! ... Much appreciation to Margie O’Brien & John Falzon for their work delivering 650 flyers to every home and coordinating with the Firehouse and the Co-op Office.

**Next Meeting – December 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Closing Prayer / Adjournment**

- Meeting was adjourned at 8pm by Jim Corbett.
- The next general meeting will be at 7pm on Dec 1<sup>st</sup> in the church

Minutes submitted by Peter Moussot