



St. Sebastian Parish Council

Meeting Minutes

2/22/2024

In attendance: Fr. Valencheck, Linda, David, Barb, Terry, Jim, Ryan, Sue, Susan, Will, Hannah, Chris
Excused: Dave, Ana

7:00PM - 7:05PM

Opening Prayer – Jim Lundy

~~Welcome special guest Milissa Smith~~ – Guest did not show

7:05PM - 7:20PM

Father's Update

- o Update on Z-Hall roofing project (details in weekly letter)
- o Elmdale house landscaped and leveled
- o Ryan Arto 2 months remaining at St. Sebastian. Will become transitional deacon in upcoming ceremony
- o Eclipse – Akron city turned down Akron 330 to go request for Schneider Park gathering. No big event for eclipse planned for St. Sebastian.
- o Potential for new ministry could be coming. Father V still working out details. More information to come later.

7:20PM - 7:40PM

New Business

- Spectacular auction donation from Parish Council
 - o Parish Council to donate a basket with wine and/or liquor. Parish Council members to bring donations to next meeting (March 21st)
- International Pilgrim Virgin Statue planning/volunteers July, 2024
 - o Parish council involvement to be decided in March meeting. Will work with Ro reed who is coordinating. Current options include:
 - Procession with statue
 - Support in planning event
 - Grounds/directing visitors day of event

7:40PM - 8:00PM

Old Business

- Ideas for 100th Anniversary
 - o Band – either Pop band or rock band could be considered for event
 - o Parish members have provided feedback that they would like to support the 100th by serving as a marketing campaign committee. Susan Clark (PC president) to follow up to confirm who is leading the planning committee
 - o Christmas ornament discussed as a for sale commemorative item.
- Nominations Committee
 - o Current nominations up to 26 members. Survey to go out to potential candidates to confirm interest at end of February.
 - o Parish Council interview committee formed (Susan, Hannah, Terry, Sue, Chris)
- Evangelization Plan update

- 2 opportunities to see parishes in the community and their evangelization activities. St. Ambrose and a Columbus parish. Members to oversee these efforts and report back on effectiveness.
- Peter Kreeft visit
- St. Sebastian Artwork inside Southwest entrance
 - A protective acrylic panel was installed on February 2nd.
 - Information about the painting's history is being pursued to place near the painting.

8:00PM - 8:25PM

Pulse of the Parish/Commission Reports

8:25PM – 8:30PM

Compline (Jim Lundy)

Next Meeting:

Thursday March 21, 2024 7:00PM – 8:30PM

St. Sebastian Rectory

Prayer, Compline, Refreshments – Chris Slattery

Evangelization Subcommittee Meetings: Tuesdays 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16 in Forest Lodge, 7:00pm

Members: Keith Johnson, Jim Lundy, Sue Sassano, David Newyear, Christina Mastromatteo, Ed Pfeiffer, Tiffany Kenny, Susan Clark, Michelle Huber (communications/marketing).