

Parish Council Meeting

September 25 2023

Attendees: Monsignor Marcaccio, Ralph Allen, Paul Brazeau, Doug Faison, Billy Fitzgerald, Connie Hilliard, Christy Holmes, Donna Keel, Emma Linn, and Georgianna Penn.

Guest: Francine Britto

Meeting started at 6:42 with prayer and call to order.

Christy reviewed the previous meeting minutes; one clarification was suggested and adopted. The minutes were approved with no additional changes with motion offered by Paul and seconded by Georgianna.

Vision Update:

Francine Britto provided an update on the Music Ministry.

The goal is to encourage prayer and enhance the Liturgy through the singing and music. Music is another way to pray and chat with the Lord.

Her philosophy is to get the existing members to blend, when everyone is singing no one should stand out.

There are 11 new adult members and 2-3 High School aged new members. The goal is to add different styles to broaden the choral techniques. There are now over 50 people in the Adult Choir.

The Youth Choir is developing. There are currently 15 members but more are welcome. Francine visits the school often and assists with the 25 member School Choir.

There is a Funeral Choir subset of 10-15 Adults.

Saint Pius X needs additional coverage for the sound technician. Training is available for anyone interested.

The handbell Choir currently has about 12 people and is being led by Brian Otter.

There appears to be a speaker going bad or faulty electrical connection in the back of the church, there is random static.

Francine is developing templates for specific liturgical purposes such as weddings and funerals. These templates can be provided to people like wedding coordinators, brides/grooms, and grieving families to possibly ease the musical selection process.

Coffee House is coming back on November 9, 2023. Auditions are being held for this show and some possible talent is being seen for recruiting into the Music Ministry.

There is a Taizé Prayer Service scheduled for Saturday, December 9, 2023.

Old Business:

A zoom meeting was held with the City Planning Commission to discuss the proposed athletic field renovation.

New Business:

None offered.

Pastor Report:

The Diocese of Charlotte will soon (next few years) begin a capital campaign to build a new cathedral. The current one is the smallest in the lower 48 states. It is obsolete. Once the cathedral capital campaign begins, most parish level of capital campaigns will be placed on hold to support the diocese wide campaign.

There were 1000 people for Room at the Inn.

The Finance Committee is budgeting for replacement boiler for the Church. It is reaching the typical life expectancy.

Mass attendance is up.

The Italian Festival is upcoming October 14, 2023. It shaping up to be a fun time.

Closing Comments:

Next meeting is October 23, 2023.

Motion to Adjourn was offered by Connie, seconded by Ralph.

Closing Prayer

Meeting Adjourned at 8:18PM