## St. Michael's Newark NY Parish Council Meeting Minutes January 4, 2022 6:30 p.m.

**Present:** Carmella Owen, Bob Hegeman, Gina Donnelly, Gayle Addyman, Sue Joslyn, Chris Taylor, Henry, Banker, Father Felicjan Sierotowicz

Excused: Fr. Merritt, Gina Porter, June and Braydan Sherman, Isabella Humphrey, Peg Hartman

Opening Prayer Bob and Hegeman at 6:30 p.m.

Motion to approve December minutes made by Chris T, seconded by Bob H. Approved.

**Father's Updates:** Thanked all that came to clean the Church in prep for Mass. The lift will still take some time due to parts on backorder.

Bishop Maetano will be filling in for Father Mike this Sunday, January 9th 10:30 a.m.

Father needs a cleaning team. Father suggested forming a weekly cleaning team sign up similar to other Parishes. Carmella will check with Pauline DeCann regarding status of her team and/or the cleaning checklist. Gina suggested to place the need in Bulletin and Carmella suggested to include in the announcements once Pauline has let us know the status of her group.

CMA status: 148 donors. 65%.

Synod: We are considered the Central Deanery and the meeting will be held Jan 13 Thursday. 1:30-3:00 p.m. must register to participate. Central Deanery. Father emailed the Zoom link to the Parish Council.

## **Old Business:**

Bob asked for feedback, All positive feedback regarding the beauty of the renovation. Concerns for elevator/lift completion have been expressed. Supply chain issue and labor being ill from Covid causing delay. Still waiting on lighting. Pendant lighting will be complete soon.

-Thoughts on ideas for Parish. The ideas shared at the last meeting are still being reviewed and considered.

-Christmas Contest Winner (s) 1 Family participated. They won. The Swann Family. Lynn expressed that we should promote and continue it next year as there were many contributing factors as to why people may not have participating

-5 Year Plan Committee: Father stated the dates of meetings have not been set yet.

-Renovation estimated timeline for completion items: TBD.

-Van Usage and Ministry: A new plan is being discussed regarding picking up Parishioners and Church activities. The van is parked in Newark at St. Michael's.

## **New Business:**

Gayle reminded that the rummage sale is coming up in the Spring. Set up is the Friday after Easter, April 22nd. Rummage Sale date Tuesday, May 3rd. Items are piling up and they need a place to work on the items they are organizing. Bob said they can use the hall as it is clearing out from the renovation.

Father reminded the group that Martha Ministry would like to resume.

Chalice was resurfaced and will be returned.

• Next Meeting: February 1st. Opening Prayer: Bob H, Closing Prayer: Isabella H

Meeting concluded at 7:35 p.m.

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