St. Sebastian Parish Council

Meeting Minutes

1/28/2021

In Attendance: Father Valencheck, Ivan, Tracie, Tiffany, Natalie, Marcy, Jack, Jennifer, Ed, Matt, Christina, Alex and Jennie

Excused:

**Time Began: 7:00 p.m.**

**Adjourned: 8:15 p.m.**

**Welcome**

* Meeting called to order by Tiffany.
* Minutes approved through email and posted on website.
* Opening Prayer – Ivan O.

**Pastor’s Report - Fr. Valencheck**

* Boiler work continues
* Hail damage to church roof resulted in some blistering damage to ceiling
* Tower on the school also has hail damage and needs some repairs
* Finance Council Meeting - St. Sebastian donations have remained steady despite donations to churches dropping by 3%
* Heart of the Shepherd campaign is coming in the Spring
* Catholic Charities drive is moving forward in 2021
* No new Diocesan regulations regarding COVID-19
* Three seminarians moved out of the rectory but seminarian Mr. Charles Bulger is moving in
* Father Anthony’s five year assignment is coming to an end and he will be assigned to another parish in June 2021
* Blessing of ashes and throats coming up
	+ Planning on distributing ashes the typical way
	+ Blessing of throats can be done over whole mass

**Old Business**

* None

**New Business (Tiffany)**

* Vaccine sign-up assistance
	+ Some parishioners do not have computers and need assistance scheduling a COVID-19 vaccine
	+ Discussed placing information sheet in the bulletin with vaccination information (i.e., locations, phone numbers, etc.) and to include information to address vaccine concerns. Jennifer S. provided a document to review for inclusion.
* Support/ministry/ideas for when school family parental death
	+ Parent of a student passed away. Discussed what ministries and actions are done or could be done. Ideas included sending card from parish (Father V. said this is done), intention at school mass for deceased parent, and discussed reaching out to Mothers of Sorrows to see what they do.
* Nomination Process
	+ Committee will consist of outgoing members (Tiffany, Jack, Jennifer, and Matt) and Christina as Vice Chairperson/Chairperson Elect
	+ Discussed ways to distribute nomination cards...place in pews, place in basket/on table in back of church.
	+ Need to include information about nomination process in bulletin, Father V’s letter, and announce at mass

**Pulse of the Parish/Commission Reports**

* See attached Pulse of the Parish Document.

**Compline – Ivan O.**

**Next Meeting: 12/17/2020 at 7 – 8:30 p.m.**

**Prayer and Compline – Tiffany Griffin-Kinney**