

## SAINT AGNES CHURCH – 9/10/13 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**In attendance:** Mark Blaisdell, Jim DiNardo, Bob Finnegan, Joe Gesmundo, Steve Goldner, Dick Howard, Marie Lucey, Joanne Metzger, Paul Millett, Father Steve Rock, Jenny Taladua

**Not in attendance:** Beth Ferraro, Jane Fiore, Deacon Bill Reidy

1. Opening Prayer Bob Finigan
2. Lower School Building Father Steve
  - Summarized towns reasons for backing out (e.g. traffic concerns)
  - Town was budgeting up to \$15 million
  - Dick Howard was at meeting with Archdiocese
  - Any ideas are on the table (e.g. parking lot)
3. Collections Mark Blaisdell/Father Steve
  - Starting October, no second collections
  - Hope is people will continue to give same amount without feeling “nickeled and dimed”
  - Discussion about finances and ways to increase collections (e.g. ParishPay)
4. Parish Center Update Dick Howard
  - Building is empty and flooring is removed
  - Total budget = \$1.4 million, but hired construction estimator in June and budget increased to \$2.2 million
  - Finance Committee projecting \$1.0-\$1.2 million will be collected
  - Project reevaluated to reduce budget and stay under \$900,000 union-labor threshold
  - Safety and utility renovations biggest priority
5. Liturgy Committee Father Steve
  - Met with existing committee and no one has come forward to be a director to date
  - Father Steve to follow up with a couple other people and/or will try to think of other options

6. Christmas Masses

Joe Gesmundo

- Concern about lack of space in Lower Church
- Discussion about holding one large Christmas Eve Mass off-site (e.g. RMHS)

7. Rebuilt

Father Steve

- Erin Gesmundo arranged recent meeting to discuss ideas from Rebuilt
- There are good things happening in the parish because of Rebuilt

8. Other Business

- Marie Lucey shared positive attendance at recent Cursillo meeting
- Discussion about Small Groups initiative

9. Closing Prayer

Paul Millett

**Next Meeting:** 10/8/13 at 7:00 pm in the Lower Church