

**St. Dominic Parish
15 Union St., Westfield, NY 14787**

5th PPC Meeting on February 20,2017 at 7:00 PM in Brocton, New York

Agenda:

1. Unfinished agenda from previous minutes: Upon this Rock Campaign, etc.
2. SDP Stewardship Plan and Parish Audit on March 20,2017
3. Reports from the different standing committees: Education & Youth, Liturgy/Worship, Parish Life Services, Physical & Grounds/Cemetery, Finance
4. Other Business: Spaghetti Dinner in Brocton

Fourth: Minutes of PPC Meeting on January 16,2017 at 7:00 PM in Westfield, New York

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1. Upon this Rock presentation by Ryan Brinkerhoff and read the Upon this Rock attachments in this email. Finance Phil & Camile shall set a schedule of regular meeting of finance council to monitor the implementation of Upon this Rock.
2. Scheduling of the regular monthly meeting of the following standing committees: Liturgy/Worship, Education & Youth, Parish Life Services, Building & Grounds/ Cemetery.
3. Suggestions from the Parish Assembly

Attendance: : Fr. Romeo Hontiveros, Camile, Belcher, Joseph Giambra, Phil Baideme, Pat Tate - Absent, Lucy Rasinski - Absent, Dan Quagliana, Fran Lus, Bob Docato, Natalie Hoebner, Susan Boneberg and guest – Ryan Brinkerhoff of Upon this Rock campaign

The meeting was presided by Dan Quagliana, the PPC President. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with a prayer led by Dan Quagliana. The minutes of the PPC meeting last November 21,2016 was read by Dan and it was unanimously approved and the Minutes of the Parish Assembly on December 19, 2016 was also read by Dan and it was also unanimously approved.

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1. Upon this Rock presentation by Ryan Brinkerhoff as follows: The goal of St. Dominic Parish is \$235,000 for Upon this rock and \$17,000 for Catholic Charities = \$252,000.00 for five years. 35% of the total amount collected will go back to the parish. 80 million or 80% pledges was already raised in the whole Buffalo Diocese. There is a need for a personal visit to a minimum of between 20 to 30 families in the next few weeks asking for a specific gift of \$25,000 or \$50,000.00 per family pledge. There is a need for 10 visits per week by a priest and lay volunteers. Reactions: Natalie – No. Not good timing at this time in Westfield – Camile. Ryan: \$82,000.00 will come back to the parish and asked for the parish building needs. Some replied as follows: roof in Brocton, parking lot in Brocton, painting wall in Brocton, floor tile dressing in Brocton. Ryan: the money can only be used for the maintenance. Pledge commitment in five years. Timeline: 2 to 3 weeks visits, followed by public phase, reception and more. The money for the parish cannot be used for operating expenses. Bob Ducato shared about electronic air-conditioning system. Ryan asked about the reactions from the minutes. Dan replied no money here and school is phasing out. Question on who to visit? Ryan: the first top givers from the file of parish contribution. Question on soliciting non-Catholics? Ryan: Not in the plan. Question on specific purpose of Upon this Rock 65% of the Diocese? Ryan: for endowment, retirement, seminary health care cost, education & tuition, evangelization & catechism, Teresa Home, etc. Question on accounting? Ryan: Pledge card remittances go directly to the Diocese. The Diocese will handle the accounting. Pledges not binding. Ryan asked Fr. Romy for the implementation? Fr. Romy: Phil & Camile, the Finance/Trustees are in-charge for the campaign. Upon this Rock comments after the exit of Ryan as follows: Natalie – there's a website in the Buffalo Diocese about Upon this rock's performance by parish. Choose volunteers like a salesman to go with Fr. Romy not among us. It's a scripted talk during the visits.

2. Regular meetings of Finance Committee to assist Upon this Rock. Phil – I am against it because we are still in debt with education assessment to the Diocese (\$98,000.00) and weekly income (of almost \$2,000.00) cannot meet the weekly goal of \$4,200.00. Bob – the people in this area of Northern Chautauqua County with only an average of \$13,000.00/year. Fran – the people are poor in this area even the Brocton school students are recipients of food.

3. Education & Youth Committee: Natalie – No monthly meetings. No committee. It's floating.

4. Building & ground/Cemetery Committee: Bob – the cemetery committee has a one year schedule of quarterly meetings in a separate sheets.

5. Liturgy/Worship Committee: Fr. Romy – the meeting every last Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM.

6. Finance Committee: Phil & Camile – the meeting is quarterly starting April 11,2017 at 6:30 PM in Westfield. Phil & Camile cannot go with Fr. Romy for Upon this Rock.

7. Suggestions from the assembly – table for the next meeting.

8. New/Other business:

8.1. Organ in Westfield – Camile presented the 3 options as: Purchase new organ at \$18,000.00, Paul will donate his organ with more or less \$1,000.00 for moving and installation, and do nothing. Phil – move a motion for status quo and duly seconded.

8.2. Dan presented that there will be an in-charge for prayers before and after the meeting by taking turn. It was approved.

8.3. Camile was asking for confirmation of the status of Natalie and Phil shared about her name as posted in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Dunkirk. Fr. Romy – replied, I don't know about that information. Natalie and Sue presented their resignation letter as parish secretary in front of Fr. Joe Walter at the kitchen on January 11, 2017 and I was shock. I told them that the resignations are not accepted and no replacement.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with a motion and a closing prayer by Dan at 9:00 PM. Fr. Romy's birthday cake donated by Sue Boneberg was shared among the PPC members.

Recording by:
Susan Boneberg, PPC Secretary