

Wayne Planning Meeting: December 18, 2018

Meeting started at 6:03pm.

Absent: Fr. Flores, June Sherman

Opened with a prayer.

Minutes needed a correction: Blessed Trinity, not Blessed Sacrament.

Mary DeLisio made a motion to approve, seconded by Roger Clark.

Mary Capone reviewed her report on the Building analysis.

Roof expenses were discussed. Insurance costs were also discussed. No actions taken.

Father Jeff noted that St. Michael's school building has no money issues unless it's sold, then it will cost approximately \$300,000 for asbestos removal.

Heating issues for buildings need to be addressed.

Shannon noted that any priests appointed to the Cluster do not have to live together.

Mary Capone will put together more information on buildings by contacting various people who may have knowledge of when things were purchased.

Shannon queried on the impact of closing Mission Churches.

Town Hall meetings were reviewed.

Father Tedesche had an impromptu meeting at St. Patrick's in Savannah. He feels that it is important to keep that Church open as those parishioners are very active.

Mass times were discussed again. No action taken.

It was noted that people are upset over the whole process.

Need to remember to factor in travel time when planning on Mass times.

Suggestion that 4:30pm Saturday Mass in Wolcott be discontinued due to low attendance.

Merging of Services can be implemented by the priests.

Father Tedesche suggested we leave mass times as they are until we are required to change them.

Fr. Jeff noted that people are concerned about the mass times.

No retirements in our cluster at this time.

Deacon Kiley noted that people are still hurting from the last Planning changes.

Deacon Bob noted that it would not be a good idea to put a 4:30 mass in Fair Haven.

The time frames suggested are too compressed for a priest to be able to stay long after mass to meet with people.

May need a DRE and assistant for Religious Ed program.

Father Laird can retire in June of 2021. Father Upson also.

Fr. Tedesche: 4 years to go.

Fr Tunnicliff: 2022

Fr. Simon: 2019 but offered to stay 5 more years

Bishop can't remove a priest until their term is complete, but a priest can say yes if requested to move.

Deacon Bob wanted to know what was needed in terms of Administrative Needs.

-what do we do about obtaining volunteers?

-Mass times decision from the West

Shannon noted that ministerial pieces like Pastoral Councils, staff , and Faith Formation can be dealt with now.

Next meeting is January 29th at 6pm in Newark.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.