

## St. Patrick's Parish/Archbishop Bergan Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

**February 20, 2020**

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1. **Opening Prayer-** Fr. Walter Nolte
2. **Minutes from prior meeting- reviewed and approved**
  - a. Tuition rates finalized at last meeting are going into effect for this next year
  - b. Redirect all comments and concerns with Deacon Steve
    - i. Scholarships will first go through Archdiocese, then scholarships and assistance that we may be able to provide
  - c. Discussed the possibility of removing the organ
  - d. Discussed Archdiocesan Healthcare
3. **Student Enrollment Update**
  - a. Fair number of re-enrollments turned in
    - i. We are tracking from last year's numbers
    - ii. Students who have left have left for reasons other than finance
  - b. Too early to tell about new students coming in (Kindergarten etc.)
  - c. Fundraising and increase of enrollment are necessary to keep tuition down
    - i. Hope to see results by the end of the calendar year (by December 2020)
4. **Stewardship for Parish and School**
  - a. To present the disparity of the numbers of givers and inflation
    - i. Historical perspective for the parishioners
    - ii. Easter letter gives a State of the Union for the Parish
      1. Make it visual for parishioners
    - iii. Possibility of giving presentation to show an annual review of the parish finances
      1. Possibility of changing a meeting to an open forum with all members present and possible action plan
      2. Possibility of Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>
        - a. Film for others who would like
  - b. By next meeting
    - i. Have a rough draft of numbers and Easter letter for the parish
5. **Standard Financial Update (see handouts)**

- a. January Financials
    - i. Made payments for insurance from June to December 2019
    - ii. Different requests coming in for endowments etc.
      - 1. Continuing developing our legacy giving
  - b. Campaign Update
    - i. Up to 39% of pledges received from the Campaign
6. **Other Business**
- a. March meeting is March 19<sup>th</sup>
  - b. April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting date needs to be rescheduled
    - i. April 23<sup>rd</sup> for the next finance meeting
  - c. Booster Club
    - i. Is the Parish able to look at the Booster Club finances?
  - d. Receive a book to read for next month: *A Spirituality of Fundraising* by Henri Nouwen
7. **Closing Prayer**- Fr. Walter Nolte