

FILIPINO PASTORAL MINISTRY

Our Lady of Pompeii Church
25 Carmine Street, New York, NY 10014
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Minutes of Meeting

FPM – First Meeting – New Committee
September 4, 2013

I. PRAYER & INTRODUCTION

Presided by Fr. Walter Tanelotto, OLP Pastor and Interim FPM Director

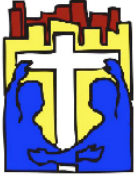
QUORUM

Management Committee (ManCom): Marilyn Castillo, Annie Swanson, Chit Laurencio, Liza Lagpas delos Santos, Fatima Concepcion, Sally Alonso, Nancy Hombrebueno, Maricar Tangonan, Edilberto Pascual, Araceli Medrano.

Non - ManCom: Ida Salvador, Dayday Unarosa, Estela Arcalas, Beth Gracia, Bernard de Leon, Allan Campos, Aida Valdevizo

II. TOPICAL OUTLINE

- A. **IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER.** Fr. Walter emphasized the value of prayer and encouraged everyone to pray everyday. He reminded the body that focusing on Christ will eliminate unnecessary material pre-occupation.
- B. **MOVING FORWARD.** Fr. Walter invited everyone to start anew and be concerned with the present and future plans for the ministry.
- C. **TRANSPARENCY.** Fr. Walter assured the body of transparency in administration and transactions will be relayed through social media (Facebook, Website and Email).
- D. **MONTHLY MEETING.** Fr. Walter reminded everyone that although everyone is welcome to pitch in ideas, he only needs a small group of assigned volunteers to meet with him once a month (first Wednesday after the Novena & Mass), hence the Lay Management Committee. Minutes of the meeting will be posted on the website and Facebook group. Those with questions can directly go to him.
- E. **Schedule of Activities were clarified and discussed:**
 - a) September 7 – Night Vigil for Peace
 - b) September 8 – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 - c) September 29 – the 3pm Tagalog Mass at OLP is cancelled. The FPM supports the San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila fiesta held every year in Jamaica, Queens.
 - d) October 6 – Parish Annual Celebration
Filipino choir will practice with the rest of the OLP choir. Bernard de Leon volunteered to coordinate and finalize the list of members from both the FPM Choir and San



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Lorenzo Ruiz Choir who will join the Oct 6 celebration. He will also coordinate the list of songs together with the OLP organist. FPM were instructed to finalize preparations for liturgy, procession and food.

e) October 27 – FPM Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass

Dinner dance is cancelled, however there will be a fellowship celebration after the Liturgical celebration. FPM will invite Cardinal Tagle or any bishop from the Philippines. Airfare to be paid for by FPM. FPM was instructed to finalize preparations for liturgy, program and food. Araceli Medrano submitted a draft of the PROGRAM.

f) Spiritual Formation for all

OLP will start a Catechism of the Catholic Church (6 courses). A weekend retreat/conference will be next in plan.

g) Clergy Schedule

Fr. Domagas and Fr. Hontiveros will celebrate the Tagalog Mass until Fr. Mark's arrival in Mid-December.

h) Liturgical/ Social Com Schedule

Liturgical Com was instructed to create a schedule of servers (boys & girls). Social Com was instructed to assign 2-3 volunteers/week to be in-charge of Sunday fellowship.

i) KAIROS/ Program for the Youth

Website management, social media and online functions will be left with the youth group. Seminararians Andre Zabala and Adolfo Novio were requested to assist at OLP, particularly the Youth group of Pompei. Seminararian's stipend is \$50/Sunday and a gift every spiritual/academic milestone. Fr. Walter plans to digitize all Masses and later on stream each Mass live.

j) Various Topics Regarding Administration

- Second collection will go to FPM.
- Stipend to priests and other ministers will be given by OLP and not from individuals
- Intentions will be printed into the parish book and printed in the bulletin
- All requests for funds should be presented to the Lay ManCom.
- Fr. Walter approves of the money given to Fr. Romy.
- Moving forward, Fr. Walter signs ALL checks plus another assigned person from FPM.
- FPM official support for Seminarian Reynor Santiago who is now in Rome will be \$500 for Christmas and \$500 for Easter.
- Araceli Medrano distributed Aug-present Financial Review (See attached document)
- Group email will be created for Lay ManCom.



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III. QUESTIONS BY/SUGGESTIONS FROM THE BODY

- A. Ida Salvador asked if young members of her prayer group and some seminarians can ask for financial help from FPM/OLP. Fr. Walter said yes for as long as the objective is to bring God closer to the community and/or for the parish/FPM community, and not for personal reasons.
- B. Ida Salvador volunteered to bring seminarians from her prayer group to serve at Pompei. Fr. Walter welcomes everyone who wants to serve in the Church. He even asked Ida to put up her prayer group at Pompei, however she said she already has it going in 42 parishes.
- C. Chit Laurencio brought out the call for election by some community members. Fr. Walter clarified that FPM is a **Church ministry**. Election is politically-motivated and in the history of Church no priest or bishop was ever elected in the political sense.
- D. Ida Salvador commented that FPM administration is 'vague'. Fr. Walter maintained that meetings like this will keep everyone in the know.
- E. Announcement of the appointed Lay Management Committee members and their assigned committees: ***Liturgy, Kairos-Youth, Social and Administration***

IV. CONCLUSION

Fr. Walter emphasized that everyone is welcome at OLP.