

NAMING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Location: OLGRC Rectory
Dining Area
Date: March 24, 2026
Time: 6:00 – 7:30PM
Facilitator: Christine Free

Agenda items

Team/Attendees: Christine Free, Scott Hotalen, Diane Julian, Terri Broden, Kim Potter

PRE MEETING TASKS:

1. Each team member brainstormed ideas and came prepared with 10 potential names.
2. Kim Potter was assigned to bring in a list of 'current' names within Syracuse, Rochester, and Scranton Diocese.

MEETING

1. Meeting began at 6:00 PM – full team was represented in attendance
2. GATHERING SESSION: Each team member presented their suggested names. Names were recorded on both paper and MS Excel Spreadsheet
3. LIST REDUCTION #1: Using Kim Potter's list we removed "current" names to not duplicate.
4. LIST REDUCTION #2: Removed "alike" names to further reduce list to the potential 10 names.
5. RANKING: Each team ranked the potential list from 1-10 with 10 being the most favored.
6. SCORING: Scores were gathered and added. Highest number is our most favored name; lowest number is our least favored name. All 10 of these are submitted as the final list for the parish voting. The list was left on the dining room table and emailed to both Fr. Prior and Fr. Kirkman, and Deacon Paul on March 24.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:30.

VOTING: Voting sessions within each parish will be April 12, 19, and 26 through May 1st. From this point the selection will be by a combined total vote from all affected parishes. Final approval by the Diocese TBD.

The consideration of the new 'title' name will have the addendum of the current parish at this time – ...**Parish of (OLGC, St Ambrose, St Anthony's, St Josephs)**. Below are the new 'title' names.

Ranking Score New Title Name

42	Merciful Heart of Christ
41	Prince of Peace
33	Spirit of Faith
31	St Carlo Acutis
28	Mary Mother of God
28	Mary Full of Grace
23	God of Love
22	Lamb of God
14	Raphael Archangel
13	Mother Cabrini

Respectfully submitted,

Naming committee: Chris, Scott, Diane, Terri, and Kim.