

St. Patrick Fallowfield  
Minutes of Pastoral Council Meeting  
February 26, 2019

**In attendance:** Suzan Light, Lucy Gorman, MaryJane McAuley, Bob Hoganson, Allen Galachiuk, Anna Marie Young, Fr. Paul Shepherd

Opening Prayer  
Approval of Minutes  
Approval of Agenda

**Agenda Items:**

**Strategic Planning:** Council undertook a broad evaluation and prioritization of existing parish activities, keeping in mind the Parish Vision Statement; **“Creating and nurturing a community with one another, fulfilling the mandate of Jesus Christ to make disciples.”** Fr. Paul provided a list of activities sponsored by the Catholic Women’s League and Knights of Columbus., as well as the various collections that take place throughout the year, sacramental retreats, Lenten preparations.

There are things happening in the parish because they always have, but there is a lack of communication. For example, milk bags are being collected, but parishioners (and council members) don’t know that they are being collected, or why they are being collected. The process of determining what occurs, why it occurs, and whether it should occur, for the purpose of creating a comprehensive calendar continues.

**Pastoral Council Meeting Schedule:** The date and times of future council meetings was set: March 26 at 7:30 p.m., April 23 at 7p.m., May 23rd at 7 p.m., and June 25 at 7 p.m.

**Communications:** Pastoral Council undertook the Divine Renovation project, did a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats analysis, and produced a list of goals for the parish. The newly formed Leadership Team is studying those goals and implementing tactical plans in order to accomplish them. Council members expressed a desire to receive regular communications from the Leadership Team over and above the parish bulletin. A joint meeting between the pastoral council, finance council, and leadership team was discussed but no date was confirmed.

**FORMED:** Access to the study website was purchased for the parish on a six-month trial basis. “A Lent to Remember” is being proposed as a Parish Mission during Lent. There will be weekly meetings in the hall to and discuss view the video presentations. There will also be a Saturday session prior to the Penitential Service for those who have watched the presentations at home.

**Parish Survey:** The members of the sub-committee presented Council with a first draft of the results of the survey.