

St. Patrick Parish  
Pastoral Council Meeting  
Saturday, February 24, 2018  
Boardroom  
9 a.m.

**Present** : Anna Marie Young, Fr. Paul Shepherd, pastor, Suzan Light, John Toccalino, Lucy Gorman, secretary.

**Absent** : Allan Galachiuk

### **Opening Prayer**

**Approval of the Agenda** There are no additional items to be added to the agenda and the agenda is approved.

**Acceptance of the January 18, 2018 Minutes** There is one correction to be made under the heading « Acceptance of ... ». The minutes should read « ... who had proceeded with Divine Renovation ». John Toccalino then moves that the minutes be approved, seconded by Anna Marie Young.

**Evaluation of Coffee Sunday** Those members who were present concluded that it was a success. A head count indicated that in total over 100 people attended after the 9 and 11 a.m. masses. The question now is « Do we continue? » Judging by the comments of the people who were there that morning, the answer is yes.

This is followed by a discussion not only of this particular event but of other social events that the parish might want to introduce.

It was proposed that we invite a representative of the K. of C. and the CWL to attend one of our upcoming meetings to discuss social events.

Fr. Shepherd talks of the need to invite these two groups who play an important role in the community to dovetail their yearly planning with that of parish's overall yearly plan. The Pastoral Council would have to stress that while both of these groups are an intrinsic part of the community, it (the P.C.) has the responsibility of planning the priorities for the life of the whole parish in any given year. Therefore, their cooperation is needed.

### **New business**

Ministries for Easter Triduum – Sign-up Sheets. Fr. Shepherd will make sure that everyone concerned is aware that they are available. He will also hold a liturgy leaders meeting, a little later in Lent.

Lenten and Easter schedule :      Lenten Penitential Service Tuesday, March 20  
Holy Thursday, March 29 at 7 p.m.  
Good Friday, March 30 at 3 p.m.  
Stations of the Cross at 7p.m.  
Paschal Vigil , March 31, at 8 p.m.  
Easter Sunday, April 1 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Question : Will Deacon Kubina who served here and is now assigned to Holy Redeemer parish be replaced? Father Shepherd indicates that there are no other deacons available at this time. Two men are to be ordained deacons in the diocese but they are already assigned for work in other parishes.

Lucy confirms that Pastoral Council minutes will be made available to parishioners starting after this meeting and throughout the year.  
The minutes can also be added to the Parish's webpage. Other items could also be put there (i.e. photographs). Anna Marie will meet Heather to talk about this as our Page itself needs updating.

Sign-up Sunday : The response to the Archbishop's request to have parishioners across the diocese send in their email addresses to indicate that they were opposed to « assisted dying » in hospitals netted over 60 emails here. This method could be used again in other circumstances.

### **Council Workshop**

Divine Renovation  
Review of the Priorities arising from SWOT

SWOT analysis for Strengths and Opportunities results found on separate sheets

Development of Priorities from SWOT–Weaknesses and Threats

### **Creating a Single Statement of Priorities for each System**

To be done when the above has been completed

**Next Meetings** a) Divine Renovation, Saturday, March 10, at 9 a.m.  
b) Pastoral Council, Wednesday, March 14, at 7 p.m.

### **Closing Prayer**