

**Meeting St. Joseph's Parish Pastoral Council  
Record of Meeting – July 11, 2017, 18:00-20:00**

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**Attendees:**

Joanne Lee (*Chair*)

Chris Adam (*Exec. Director*)

Richard Beaudette (*Pastor*)

Greg Forestell (*Treasurer*)

Paul Roche (*Faith Formation & Initiation Cluster*)

Angela McCanny (*Secretary/Pastoral Care & Social Justice Cluster*)

Roslyn Brown (*Member-at-Large*)

Terry Byrne (*Member-at-Large*)

Bob Orser (*Member-at-Large*)

Robert Sykes (*Member-at-Large*)

Jackie Maurais (*Member-at-Large*)

Jenine Figurado (*University Mass*)

Edwin Okoduwa (*University Mass*)

**Regrets:**

Patricia Malikail (*Finance Committee Chair*)

Donna Rietschlin (*Liturgy Cluster*)

Andrea Williams (*Community Building Cluster*)

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**Summary:**

**1. Welcome, Opening Prayer, Introductions**

**2. Member Sharing on Plans and Goals for Coming Year**

**Various**

- Increase attendance at Saturday 5:00 pm Mass
- Support ministries on succession planning and developing new leadership
- Set out goals for the parish and PPC for the coming year, prioritize and create a strategic plan

**Finances/Stewardship**

- More community support for the infrastructure – raising funds to care for building, roof, etc.

**Young Adult**

- More opportunities for young adults to meet and share about life as students, Christians, Catholics – meals, etc.
- Work with Brian to help young adults get more involved in the community – serve at the Supper Table, for example
- Opportunities for young people to meet with other parishioners at various stages of life, to learn from professionals established in their field or meet with adults involved in their faith

### **Building Community/Welcoming**

- Invite parishioners to use their gifts and talents to increase their connection with the parish by making the improvements that need to be made within the church – painting, repairs, beautifying, replacing, creating
- Parish dinners that give opportunities for various ages and stages to meet together; orchestrate the dinner so that people can meet each other
- Visibility of ministries and activities that are available for newcomers (and others in the parish) to get involved
- Making information available to all parishioners more easily – PPC activities and other issues and activities in the parish
- Work on welcoming newcomers, meet people, be visible as a Parish Council Rep, introduce people to each other – wear our nametags
- Suggestion box or questionnaire available at Welcome Table for feedback or raising issues
- Photos of parishioners/families and/or nametags for parishioners
- Are there gatherings or groups that we are missing as part of our ministries?

### **3. Closing Remarks – Fr. Richard**

The focus of the Parish Pastoral Council needs to be on the pastoral life of the parish. We need to get to know the parishioners and their needs and situations in order to assess if there are needs that we need to serve. Perhaps there are new ministries and groups that need to form.

We are asked, as PPC members, to reach beyond our comfort level to reach out, welcome and get to know others.

### **4. Next council meeting – August 8, 2017**

Food – Roslyn Brown and Paul Roche

### **5. Closing Prayer**