

St. Patrick's Pastoral Parish Council
Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2020

7pm Meeting in the Mary's Room

Mission Statement: *Saint Patrick's exists to **Encounter Jesus by loving** as commanded by Jesus Christ, **servicing** as exemplified by Jesus Christ, and **making disciples** this commissioned by Jesus Christ*

Monthly Meeting

Attendance:

P	Fr. Walter Nolte wnolte@stpatfremont.org	P	Fr. Nicholas Mishek nmishek@stpatsfremont.org	P	Joyce Vavricek joycevcek@gmail.com
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P=Present; A=Absent; E=Excused.

1. **Opening Prayer**- Brendan
2. **General discussion**- Fr. Nicholas
3. **Parish Council Feedback**- Brendan
 - a. These ideas are great, but they point to a higher goal
 - i. Goals that are manageable
 - ii. These Goals would be a filter to do all our activities
 1. Give us a lens to see
 2. What is the problem that we are trying to solve?
 - b. How does every activity incorporate into our Vision?
 - c. Creating an environment of relationship
 - d. Parish Council leading by example
4. **Vision**- Fr. Nolte
 - a. Healing
 - i. Practical ways to living this out
 1. Having people being pray over
 2. Having testimony about Healing
 - ii. Visiting Homebound and Nursing Homes
 - b. Identity
 - i. How does every activity show people their Identity in Christ?

- c. Mission
 - i. How does every activity show people their Mission in Christ?
 - d. Ask God what He wants to teach us about Healing, Identity, Mission
 - i. Root this prayer
 - ii. Fr. Nolte gives an example of praying with a person
- 5. Other items to discuss**
- a. PPC membership
 - i. Need to be invested in meetings, show up and commit ourselves to this group
 - ii. Currently about 9 members, do we keep this number?
 - 1. Do we just invite a person or hold election?
 - b. Usefulness of comment section on Facebook/Social Media
 - i. Taking down the comment section, moving towards person-person speaking
 - ii. If you have a comment, call them, email, or make an appointment
 - 1. Consensus in leaving the comment section on, but not responding over social media, but inviting them to one on one conversation
 - c. What does consensus mean? What is our responsibility to it?
 - i. Even if you have a differing opinion, please do not publicize and cause division
 - d. Parish Festival
 - i. Do we wait to move?
 - ii. Discussion about what it would look like at the different location?
 - 1. At the Church, more room for activities
 - iii. Consensus of the council is to support the decision to move the Festival to the Church
 - e. Stain Glass Window
 - i. Original purpose was to leave of the window vacant so that Mary's garden would be seen and vice versa
 - 1. Do people know the purpose?
 - 2. How do we communicate?
 - 3. Churches throughout history grow and evolve
 - ii. Promoting Mary's Garden
 - 1. Still show Our Lady Guadalupe
 - 2. English words allow the whole community to be invited in
 - iii. Have a draw up for the bulletin to highlight the window and garden
 - 1. Invite them to next parish council meeting
- 6. Homework for next meeting**
- a. Every member needs to spend time in prayer about Healing, Identity, and Mission to see how God wants us to tailor our approach on future endeavors
 - b. Every member needs to **pray with 4** people during this next month
- 7. Closing Prayer – Anthony Tvrdy**