

**St. Martin de Porres Warren, Michigan**  
**Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council**  
**Tuesday, April 3, 2018, 7:00 PM Parish Center Conference Room**  
**MINUTES**

From our Parish Mission Statement: *How is what we are going to do help us “to strive to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, to celebrate the mystery of God’s love in our midst, to serve one another and the wider human community and to continue the Mission of Jesus?”*

**Opening Prayer Experience and Attendance:** The meeting began at 7:05 PM with a meditation on the upcoming Sunday Gospel for the Second Sunday of Easter: “Forgiveness of Neighbors.” Members Present: Fr. Nick Zukowski, Pastor and Finance Council; Gary McMenamain, Chair and Faith Formation/Education Commission; Jerry Cipkowski, Worship Commission; Kevin Labudde, Knights of Columbus. Members Absent/Excused: Rocky Mercier, Christian Service Commission; Chiara Regan-Moore, Youth Representative.

**Ongoing Formation of the Council:** Update on preparation for parish workshops on “Unleash the Gospel.” Dates moved from April to August 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Review of the Minutes:** Approved.

**Ongoing Parish Issues**

**A. Issues for discernment/consensus (Old Business)**

1. Update on parish hall atrium storage area: Waiting for the city to meet this month to approve plans. Work to begin after May 1<sup>st</sup>. Project anticipated to take four to six weeks.
2. Coordinating fund-raising events on the parish master events calendar – next meeting? Gary McMenamain will send a letter to group leaders and staff proposing a date for a meeting.
3. Proposed Archdiocesan Campaign to support Catholic Education: Pastors were interviewed for their reaction to the A O D proposed fund-raising campaign for Catholic Education. Estimated goal is \$220 million.
4. Central Macomb Vicariate Pro-Active Plan and selection of new Vicar: Fr. Mike Cooney’s term ends on July 1. The two priests nominated for the position of vicar have declined. Archbishop Vigneron wants at least two nominees from each vicariate; he will select the vicars.
5. Any other Old Business? None.

**B. Issues for discernment/consensus (New Business)**

1. Prison Ministry: Gary McMenamain and Rocky Mercier will research this.
2. Parking lot light posts: A suggestion was made to put some sort of reflective color on the base of the parking lot light posts to make them more visible in the dark.
3. Parish Mission with Frank Runyeon: April 9, 10, 11 at 7:00 PM in church. All are welcome.
4. Any other New Business? None.

**Report of the Commissions:** See submitted reports.

1. Worship Commission: See report.
2. Education/Formation Commission: See report.
3. Christian Service Commission: No report submitted.
4. Evangelization Committee: See report.
5. Parish Finance Council: See report.
6. Youth Representative: No report.
7. Central Macomb Vicariate Representative: No report.

**OPEN FORUM / UPCOMING EVENTS / FYI:** None. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:** Propose Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7 PM. **EVALUATION OF THE MEETING:** Educational, informational, two thumbs up!

**CLOSING PRAYER:** The meeting ended at 8:15 PM with the Prayer to Unleash the Gospel.

Submitted by: Fr. Nick Zukowski