

St. Vincent Ferrer Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Minutes
Wednesday, September 20, 2017 7:00 pm

Location: Room B

Minutes: Terry Callan

Start time: 7:00 pm

End time 8:12 pm

Present: Father Dennis Jaspers, Father Jerome Bishop, Deacon Dave Meyer, Mark Dunkley, Terry Callan, Susan Aloisio, Michael Beiting, Denny Connor, Chris Homan, Julie Morency, Lisa Samson, Jack Schwein

Not Present: Jodi Kastner, Toby Mattson, Bill Mountel, Jenny Powers

I. Opening Prayer – Deacon Dave Meyer

II. Formation – Julie Morency

Julie Morency led a discussion on Gratitude from the **Characteristics of a Christian Steward.**

At the October meeting Lisa Samson will lead the discussion on Generosity.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 2017 meeting was made by Denny Connor and seconded by Lisa Samson; the minutes were approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 2017 meeting was made by Julie Morency and seconded by Jack Schwein; the minutes were approved.

IV. Action Items for Council and Commissions

a. Fostering Community

- i. Parish picnic – Parish Life Commission will organize a parish picnic in June 2018 (not on the first weekend), perhaps with help from other commissions, e.g., games organized by Athletic Commission.
- ii. Mark and Mikki Dunkley will organize the first monthly coffee and donuts in the back of church after masses on the weekend of October 28-29.

Council members briefly discussed establishing an information center in the back of church (iii) and parish small group activities (iv).

b. Communication

- i. With assistance from Terry Callan, Mark Dunkley will create an update to be inserted into the bulletin periodically to increase awareness of past and future parish activities/accomplishments. This will include a calendar and photos.
- iv. Michael Beiting will arrange to have a notice about St. Vincent included in the *Suburban Life* Religion listing

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c. Developing a Plan to Sustain and Grow Our Parish

- i. A short-term master plan for church and grounds is being developed, but not a long-term plan.

Council discussed at some length problems with the church sound system. Experts may be asked to evaluate it. The congregation may be asked to indicate exactly where in the church the problems are found.

- ii. Mark Dunkley plans to visit Good Shepherd Parish seeking additional ideas.

Council members spent the last ten minutes of the meeting telling each other one thing about themselves they thought the others might not know.

Fr. Dennis Jaspers made a motion to end the meeting; it was seconded by Michael Beiting, and the meeting was adjourned.

V. Closing prayer – Fr. Dennis Jaspers

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 7:00 pm Room B.