

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES**  
January 25, 2018

**Attendance:** Phil Blankenstein, Maureen Gipprich, Tom Mc Nelis, Mary Murphy, Deacon Greg Schneider, Deacon John Stapleton, Edrie Watson, Jay Yohn

The meeting began with a prayer.

**Council Membership**

Jay Yohn and Tom McNelis have been selected Chair and Vice Chair of the Council respectively. Phil Blankenstein is going to begin the process to secure new membership.

**Parish Mission 2018**

The Parish Mission has been scheduled for February 26-28, 2018 which was the focus of our meeting. The banners on the front lawn of the church and large posters in the church advertising the Mission were received with enthusiasm beginning on Christmas Eve. Thanks to Maureen Gipprich for having these made in such a timely fashion. Father Vinny Fortunato plans on speaking at the weekend Masses of Feb. 24-25, 2018 to introduce himself and encourage attendance at the Mission. At Father Fortunato's request, a social will be held after each evening presentation. Maureen Gipprich volunteered to head up this effort. Council members offered to help each evening with serving and clean-up. Deacon John Stapleton will contact various ministries to see if they will be greeters each evening. Jay Yohn is going to meet with Dave Kostival to arrange appropriate hymns. Msgr. Domin will ask several priests to help with confessions on the second night of the Mission. Tom McNelis suggested that we present Fr. Vinny with a "Best of Berks" basket as a thank you. He offered to have one made. It was decided to cancel Hospitality Sunday in February due to the nightly socials during the Mission.

**Future Meeting Dates**

March 22, 2018

May 31, 2018

September 27, 2018

November 29, 2018

The meeting ended with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary C. Murphy  
Secretary

Next meeting: March 22, 2018 in the Parish Center at 7 p.m.  
Phil has the opening prayer.

