

DATE: 22 MARCH 2015
RE: PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

IN ATTENDANCE WERE:

Fr. Scott, Fr. Ixon,
Ed and Diane Mills, Terry Beecroft, Gene Cote, Karen Bucyk, Carol Casey, Marian Hefron, Jolene O'Brien, Jack Luz, Marc Dodier, Maureen Donahue, Joanne Levesque, Marie Shatuck.

The meeting was held at the Holy Family Lower Church.

It started at 6pm with a general introduction of attendees and a short prayer supplied by Thea Gove who was unable to attend.

As vice-chairperson, Diane Mills called the meeting to order and started reviewing the agenda for the meeting.

Fr. Scott started with the mention of Gateway Moments in the New Evangelization. The members came up with the following suggestions:

- Greeting parishioners at the beginning of all Masses.
- Mingling with parishioners' at all social events.
- Reaching out to parishioners at funerals, weddings and baptisms.

Fr. Scott made the suggestion for a brainstorming session during next months meeting regarding the Gateway Moments and how to engage in an effective way.

Fr. Scott also spoke about Witness Talks. Confirmation class would be a great opportunity to have a parishioner or two discuss their witness event.

Fr. Scott named the Pastoral Plan Writers that will be assisting him in putting together the Pastoral Plan for our collaborative that is due in December.

They are:

Don Bealieu, Maureen Donahue, Jolene O'Brien, Diane Mills, Jacque Phelon, Tom LeBlanc.

They will be meeting monthly on Tuesday evenings along with other area collaboratives. The first meeting (April 14) will be at Holy Family Parish and will include the Wilmington collaborative.

Fr. Scott announced the roll out of the new website.

Fr. Scott talked about the upcoming events of the Holy Week. Holy Family Parish will be participating in the Palm Sunday Service held at the Mill Yard at 9am.

Next Council Meeting will be held at Star of the Sea on April 26th. Karen Bucyk will provide refreshments for that meeting. Opening prayer will be provided by Carol Casey and closing prayer by Gene Cote.

