

**Parish Pastoral Council  
Meeting Minutes  
December 19, 2017**

Thanks to Demetri who, again this month, read the scripture at our 6:00 pm Mass. On behalf of all present, Joni thanked Father Bob for providing the Tinucci's dinner. A reminder the pre-meeting meal is intended to provide cross-commission fellowship. Ideally, we'd sit at different tables each month.

We're encouraged to step up and join in the hospitality gestures at any Christmas liturgy we attend. Father explained the distinct liturgies and clarified yes, our obligation is to celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent and Christmas separately.

Jane Marie reviewed parish spotlight roster. Since the subject line/title of the last column was omitted, it will be repeated. Thanks to Bryan for keeping us on schedule and publishing these spotlights.

Chris reported on possibilities to supplement parish staffs' efforts to manage our St. Patrick's website. He detailed options including initial set up only, monthly maintenance or periodic assistance. We were all pleasantly surprised at how affordable these services would be IF parish staff prefers to augment /outsource website management. Thank you, Chris, for finding this contact and following up on these inquiries

Mark your calendars for the February 5 - 7 pre-Lent retreat/mission. Begin praying now, that the Holy Spirit stirs our parish through this message and fellowship. Please sign up electronically or contact Teresa to support the hospitality (light supper, clean up) one of the 3 nights. This retreat is on the heels of Superbowl, so anticipate banter, over refreshments, about the best commercials.

Our responsibilities for Ash Wednesday soup supper will be assigned at our January meeting. Recruitment of parish council prospects will commence earlier this year than in past years. The invitation from the pulpit will be extended in early April, to volunteer oneself or submit a parishioner's name, to replace outgoing members. So as not to detract from 1<sup>st</sup> communions or Mothers' day, the 'winning' names will be announced the last weekend of April.

We all extended our hands while Ellen offered a blessing over Terry. God be with him as he recovers from surgery, in January. And, with his wife and caregiver Bernie!  
Thank you Fred for facilitating our January meeting.