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Tim Shell, Deacon*	Rick Jablonski*
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Leslie Simpson	Paul Herman
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**ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
Tuesday April 18, 2017**

Prayer and Faith Sharing: Apostles Creed and Reading: John, 20: 19-31.

Minutes of the March 2017 meeting were approved via email.

DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS:

Recruiting Plan for new Members – Members have already signed up to speak at Masses this week-end and the May 6-7.

Refurbishing the Church: The architect will be here on April 19th to begin his work on bid drawings. All parties have signed the contract.

Ad-hoc/parish concerns: Fr. Kevin provided information on a Justice System Forum. Judge O'Donnell has asked the parishes in western Lake County to host a forum on the Justice System.. Fr. Breck at St. Mary Magdalene offered to host one and they are working on the date. Below is a brief description of the forum.

Is the Justice System Just?

In an ongoing effort to present pertinent information to communities throughout Lake County, you are invited to a forum which will focus on what happens at each stage of the justice system when a person is arrested, charged and convicted of a criminal offense.

A panel consisting of a Lake County Police Chief, Lake County Prosecutor Charles E. Coulson, and Lake County Common Pleas Judge John P. O'Donnell will discuss the way the justice system in Lake County actually works.

The panel strongly encourages questions from the audience. In past forums held in other communities, the inquiries have focused on whether members of minority classes and those with lower socio-economic stratus are fairly treated.

POLICE

What happens when a traffic stop or an arrest is made by the police?

PROSECUTOR

What information and factors are considered when the prosecutor decides whether to file a criminal charge?

JUDGE

What factors are considered by the Judge when a defendant is sentenced?

UPDATES & REPORTING:

Religious Education: Charles Hunt

60 Minutes with Christ/RCIA

Thursday, the 27th will be the final class of 60 Minutes in Christ. Several parishioners participated in the program over the 8 month period, some attending every class. I believe it was a worthwhile endeavor, allowing parishioners to grow in a deeper knowledge of their faith, experience various types of prayer and to grow closer to one another in the Lord Jesus. One hope of the program was to help parishioners engage and invite others to faith in Christ and the Catholic Church.

PSR

The PSR school year will close next Monday, the 24th. The teachers will enjoy an end of the year party in gratitude for the wonderful service they offer to the children of our parish.

Lenten Book Discussion

The Lenten book discussion group, using Scott Hahn's book, The Lamb's Supper, was held on March 24, 31 & April 7 at 3:00-4:30pm. Many parishioners enjoyed delving more deeply into the book and sharing their own insights with each other.

Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion is on the horizon for next month; The Jesus Day Retreat on May 6, practice on the 9, and First Holy Communion Day will be on May 13. Please pray for the First Communicants and their families.

Worship Commission: Fr. Kevin

The meeting was March 30th. They finalized Holy Week plans.

Finance Council: Fr. Kevin

There has been no meeting since the last Parish Pastoral Council meeting. The meeting is scheduled for April 20th..

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY AND PASTORAL MINISTER'S REPORT- Beth Rossetti, Pastoral Minister

No report.

Deacon's Report -Tim Shell

No report.

The next meeting is Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Submitted by: Therese Ryan, Recording Secretary
From Notes taken by Secretary Anna Rhodes.