

**WAUKESHA PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**St. John Neumann, St. Joseph, St. Mary, St. William Parishes**  
**March 17, 2016—7:00**  
**AGENDA**

**PURPOSES:**

1. To pray and share faith together
2. Updates on ongoing business: Discernment, In the Steps of Jesus Planning and Communications
3. Update on Common Committee Meeting held on March 7th
4. Announcements from the Chair.

**I. WELCOME AND PRAYER (25 minutes)**

- A. What are your hope for the results coming from the *In the Steps of Jesus* planning ...
- B. Anything to add to the Agenda?
- C. Prayer (See p. 2)

**II. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING'S MINUTES (5 minutes)**

**III. DISCERNMENT UPDATE – Chris, Jennifer (10 minutes)**

- a. Need to identify additional breakout leaders for discernment.

**IV. IN THE STEPS OF JESUS UPDATE - Jerry/Nancy/Maria (30 minutes)**

- a. Review and Discuss Planning Summary Material (Mission Statement, Values and Vision)

**V. PASTORAL COUNCIL COMMUNICATION: Creation Of An Ad Hoc Committee - Noël (10-15 Minutes)**

- a. Two parishioners have agreed to participate in the Communication committee (one from SW and one from SJN). Still need representation from SJ and SM.
- b. Still need to identify Pastoral Council Liaison

**VI. REPORT FROM CITY WIDE COMMON COMMITTEE MEETING NIGHT – John K. Any who attended (10 min)**

- a. Impressions for the evening and any items the Pastoral Council needs to take action on.

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR – Noël (5 minutes)**

- a. Updates from recent APC meeting.

**VIII. CLOSING PRAYER – The Lord's Prayer**

**Next Meeting:**

Thursday, April 21, 2016 @ 7:00 PM, at the Vercelli House

## Opening Prayer

Lord we are allowed to follow you and worship in peace unlike others in this world. Help us to provide a ministry of comfort to those in need. Allow our council to listen fully as we progress with In the Steps of Jesus to find the words we need to express your will. As we prepare for Holy Week help us to walk in your light. We ask this in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

### A reading from the book of Isaiah (50:4-7)

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked out my beard; my face I did not shield from insults and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

### Reflection and Sharing

- What words speak to us as we prepare to enter Holy Week and gather for this session?
- How may this pericope (short bit of scripture) help us grow in our role as council?

### General Intercessions

Please Respond: **Hear Our Prayer**

- That the people of St. William, St. John Neumann, St. Joseph and St. Mary parishes grow ever closer during Holy Week: Lord in your mercy...
- That members of this council and all parish leadership find creative ways to nurture the members of our parish communities: Lord in your mercy...
- That all who are jailed turn towards you: Lord in your mercy...
- That you may help us realize **we** are the answer to someone's prayer: Lord in your mercy...
- That members of our communities grow in faithfulness and gratitude this holy time: Lord in your mercy...
- Strengthen your people who are suffering violence and threat for their Christian beliefs: Lord in your mercy...
- For what and whom else should we pray? (**please add your intentions**)
- That all those prayers which lie quietly in our hearts be answered by God: Lord in your mercy...

**We will close our meeting with the Lord's Prayer.**