

St. Gertrude Parish Pastoral Council

February 28, 2019 | 7:00-8:30PM

The group continued conversation around the four parish commissions begun in January, and aligned approximately half of the parish ministries to a commission. Dialogue on this topic will continue at the March meeting, and the PPC members will also be asked to join a commission.

Greg Pierce provided the PPC with an overview of one-on-ones – what they are (and are not), why they are important, and how to go about them.

There are three main reasons why one-on-ones are important:

- 1) They are grounded in the message offered by Jesus: “Come and see”. This approach is the foundation of the Church and key to driving future engagement.
- 2) They can help our democracy. Currently both sides of the political spectrum tend to talk past each other. One-on-ones can help bridge the gap and get people to start finding common ground. American democracy is rooted in one-on-ones.
- 3) They can help break out of the social media/Internet echo chamber, as one-on-ones are about in-person dialogue and relationship building. One-on-ones are a bigger investment in time and effort than simply clicking ‘Like’.

Following establishing the final alignment of all ministries parish ministries within commissions, PPC members will be holding one-on-ones with representatives from the various ministries.

The next meeting: March 28, 2019 at 7PM in the Ministry Center

Respectfully submitted,
Dominic Guagenti, Vice Chair