

Minutes Ministry Vision Fulfillment – March 18<sup>th</sup>

Present: Faith Offman, Tim O'Brien, Mike Higgins, Bruno D'Souza

With the pandemic surrounding us, we all find ourselves 'thinking outside the box' – trying to reach out spiritually. Retreat...solitude...Sabbath. This may have in some ways 'jump-started' our conversation as regards ministry. What will accompany our ministry and share out charism.

Shared conversation:

Tim mentioned that in the Partnerships meeting one of Paul of the Cross's letters to Thomas Fosse was raised '...stay home, be quiet, tend to your family...' Perhaps Paul's letters could be the foundation for some social media communication.

Mike mentioned how Sierra Madre is looking at live streaming their daily Liturgy – Tim's parish is streaming Liturgy of the Word and Compline. We talked about opportunities for morning and evening prayer which could be lay lead.

How do we reach out to the crucified and bring a reasonable rhythm to whatever we do – not to overtax any staff.

Sierra Madre is exploring ways their kitchen and staff can be utilized perhaps providing food or meals to vulnerable populations in the neighboring communities through existing systems that may be overtaxed.

How can we provide Blessing and Grace, hope and connection even when we don't have all the answers.

Action:

Over the next week and a half or so, can we gather data from our Retreat Centers, Parishes...

- What are you doing
- What is emerging,
- What is happening

(Faith will try to arrange this)

Tim will facilitate a similar discussion with the Chairs of the Vision Fulfillment Teams during their meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:15 EST, zoom invite will follow