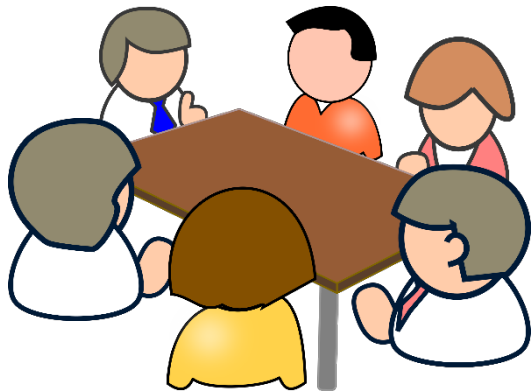


WHAT ARE THE REWARDS OF BEING A MEMBER OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?

You have the opportunity to meet many interesting people, gain a broader view of the parish, and a chance to contribute your ideas for a better community.



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Parish Pastoral Council



Mission Statement

St. Mary's Catholic Community strives to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, "love one another". Jesus is the heart of our community and Sunday Liturgy is the center of our worship. With Mary as our patroness and model, we open our hearts and community to all. As we journey in faith, we grow through our sacramental life, Christian education, and opportunities for spiritual enrichment.

Our vision is expressed in a commitment to peace and justice, respect for all life, appreciation for the unique gifts of every person, and outreach to those in need. Our parish family affirms all members in their search for truth and they meet the challenge of being Catholics in this modern world.

PURPOSE & MISSION

To assist the pastor in his leadership role of planning, organizing, initiating, promoting, coordinating and reviewing the evangelization, worship, religious education and service activities within the parish.

QUALIFICATIONS

- A Catholic who is registered and active in the parish
- Participation in the sacramental life of the parish
- Age 18 or over

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?

To assess the needs of the whole parish and its members, and to develop and implement a pastoral plan which will promote the common good of the parish.

To foster unity and a sense of community in the parish and to coordinate all parish activities in a manner that will best serve the interests of the parish.

To promote programs and activities recommended by the Archdiocesan office as well as the Parish Council.

WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT?

Term of office is three years, with four members rotating off the council each year. Nominations are received from parishioners and, if needed, an election will be held to replace those members going off the council. The pastor may appoint members at his discretion.

WHEN DOES THE PPC MEET?

The Parish Pastoral Council meets once a month from September to May. Members are encouraged to become a member or to attend meetings of the various ministries and committees of the parish.