

The Church of Saint Catherine of Siena

Selection of New Parish Council Members and the Discernment Process

The first and most important step in pastoral planning is selecting leaders from among our faith community to be pastoral planners; those who will serve as parish leaders on the Parish Pastoral Council. Council members serve as a wisdom group in a consultative capacity to the pastor. They commit to being Servant Leaders and accept a shared responsibility to enrich parish life.

The Parish Pastoral Council (PCC) is made up of persons who are not necessarily representative leaders of designated committees or ministries within the parish, but who are representatives of the wider parish community. They strive to focus their attention on the needs of all parishioners.

This ministry of leadership is a call by the community to assist the parish in assessing its current life and to vision the future life of the parish community. When wearing the "hat" of a council member you accept the role of a "visionary planner", looking to the horizon for the future of our parish. This commitment involves one monthly meeting from September through May.

St. Catherine's will begin the selection process the weekend of **APRIL 27**.

As we begin the parish planning process for next year, we are looking for **THREE** parishioners who are willing to invest their time and energy in this important work.

Specifically, we are looking for parishioners willing to lead, who embody the following qualities:

- Desire for spiritual growth in themselves and the parish
- Enthusiasm about the future of the parish
- Capacity to listen outweighs the need to speak
- Ability to inspire and empower
- Flexibility and openness with people and ideas
- Eagerness to facilitate parish decisions about its direction

After prayerful reflection, you are encouraged to place your name on the nomination form, or nominate someone you know who possesses the qualities listed above. Please complete this form and place it in the collection basket, or bring it to the parish office **NO LATER THAN MAY 5**.

Parish Pastoral Council Nomination

Candidate's Name _____ Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Comments:

Nominations will close on Sunday, May 5 after the 11:30am mass. Nominees will be contacted the week of May 6 and must be available to attend a meeting with current Parish Pastoral Council members on **MONDAY, MAY 20, AT 7PM** in the Rectory.