



*"HONORING OUR PAST...CELEBRATING OUR PRESENT...
BELIEVING IN OUR FUTURE"*

PASTORAL COUNCIL TRANSITION TEAM

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WHAT HAPPENS IN THE DISCERNMENT PROCESS??

The Discernment Process consists of three steps. They are:

- 1) Nominations - From May 23rd through June 7th, we are asking you to help us by making a nomination. We're looking for people who embody the following characteristics:
 - A person should be a baptized Catholic, at least 16 years old or entering their junior year of high school, and a registered member of our parish
 - A person who participates in the ongoing worship life of our parish, especially the celebration of Sunday Eucharist
 - A person who has a desire for spiritual growth in themselves and in the parish
 - A person who is enthusiastic about the future direction of our parish
 - A person who has the willingness to listen, speak honestly, and work towards consensus
 - A person who is open and flexible to other people and ideas
 - A person who has the ability to inspire and empower others and to delegate
- 2) Informational Meetings – Nominees who want to learn more about discernment and Pastoral Council choose to attend the Informational Meeting. This meeting will be held on July 14.
- 3) Discernment - On August 22, those nominees who chose to participate in Discernment need to attend a group session where they come together to pray and get to know one another. These people are candidates for Pastoral Council membership. At the end of the session, twelve (12) parishioners will be discerned as Pastoral Council members and sign a "Willingness to Serve" commitment. It is unknown how long a member would serve; we anticipate a minimum of two years. However, the newly discerned Pastoral Council would set up their own schedule for discerning replacement members. Whether or not a member is "replaced" would depend on several factors – if they are in the midst of an on-going project, if they feel they have contributed all they can, if they have changing family situations that require more attention, etc.

THE SEVEN ELEMENTS OF PARISH LIFE THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF CHRIST

Evangelization

Worship

Word

Community

Service

Stewardship

Leadership