

THE PIUS PRESS

The monthly newsletter of St. Pius X Parish Community

A Reflection from Fr. Paul

The Holy Spirit threw three things at me at one time to give me the theme for this reflection. First, it struck me that I had had a number of talks with people who were very hard on themselves: their sins or failures were overwhelming them to the point that they were struggling to believe that God could love them. As I was reflecting on that, I read the following quote from Henri Nouwen in the daily reflection from "Following Jesus": *I am your God. I have molded you with my own hands and love what I have made. I love you with a love that has no limits...Do not judge yourself. Do not condemn yourself. Do not reject yourself. Let my love touch the deepest, most hidden corners of your heart and reveal to you your own beauty, a beauty you have lost sight of...I love you, I love you, I love you.* Just then, one of our garden angels walked in and gave me a filthy, crumpled \$20 bill that he had found on our lawn, which reminded me of the homily I gave in which I asked parishioners to raise their hand if they wanted a \$100 bill, even as it became crumpled and dirty. And let me tell you, that \$20 bill was a mess, but it was still worth \$20!

The point, my friends, is this: at Easter we are celebrating that Christ died and rose from the dead to save each and every one of us, sinners that we are. If we were perfect, he would not have had to die. But God loves us so much, SINNERS THAT WE ARE, that Christ suffered and died for us. That is what we are remembering and celebrating.

God loves us unconditionally, God is always waiting for us, He forgives us, we are precious in His eyes. But can we forgive ourselves? Both Judas and Peter did a horrible thing. Peter was able to accept that and forgive himself, thus being open to accepting Jesus' forgiveness. Judas couldn't forgive himself and so was not there to accept the forgiveness of Jesus.

As we celebrate Easter and move through the 50 days of the Easter season, let us wallow in the love that God has for each of us, a love that made Him create us, a love that made Him offer His Son to save us, a love that cannot be broken. We are not perfect, but WE ARE TRULY SPECIAL!

Parish Updates

Fr. Paul Portland, SDS

Discernment of Parish Leadership for 2024-2025

Our discernment process for one trustee and three pastoral council members has begun. There is an insert at the end of this newsletter explaining what is involved and inviting you to nominate yourself or other parishioners for these positions. Those who are nominated will be asked if they are open to coming to a discernment session Wednesday evening, May 8th, to learn more about what is involved, after which they will decide if they want to be considered or not. Please read the insert and prayerfully consider nominating yourself or others, while keeping the process in your prayers. Thank you.

St. Bernard Parish

On the weekend of March 16th & 17th, it was announced that St Bernard and Christ King will become one parish, with one campus at Christ King. Please keep those going through this difficult transition in your prayers.

Family Mass

Our first family Mass was held on March 10th and went very well. It was a delight to see our young parishioners perform the ministries so well. The next one is at the 10:30 am Mass on April 21st. E-mail Christina Ramsey at ramseyfamily2007@gmail.com to get your children involved. It is a wonderful way to help them be more engaged in the Mass.

Living Waters

As of March 27th, we have raised \$28,528 in this campaign. Adding in the \$4,184 collected over the past year, we currently have \$32,712, which is enough to build 6 wells. Thank you to those who have donated! The campaign runs through Pentecost, so there is still plenty of time to donate. For more information on the project and to donate online, visit www.stpiusparish.org/living-waters-project.html or scan the QR code. To donate by cash or check, please use one of the envelopes in church. You can also send a check made out to St. Pius X with "Living Waters" in the subject line.



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Parish Updates, cont.

Baptism and Confirmations

At the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday, we celebrated one adult baptism and five adult confirmations. At the 5:00 pm Mass on April 6th, we will celebrate three baptisms and one confirmation. We welcome those being baptized into our community and congratulate those being confirmed. We are pleased that you are part of our community and we promise to support you as you live out your life commitments. I thank Rob Hoffmann, our Director of Adult Formation, for helping the recipients to prepare for their sacraments. May God bless all of you.

Be a Communion Minister at Froedtert

The Spiritual Services Department of Froedtert Hospital is seeking additional volunteer Communion Ministers who would like to be involved in the sacred and meaningful work of bringing Communion to Catholic patients. Being a regular Communion Minister requires approximately one to two hours per week. We are also seeking substitute Communion Ministers who would fill in for those who are away. If you would like to become a part of this fulfilling ministry, please contact Sister Helen Harry at (414) 805-4663. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunity of the Month

Each month I will highlight an opportunity for involvement in our community. This month I am presenting our Community Life Committee (CLC). This committee provides our pancake breakfasts, food for other parish occasions, and organizes our Sunday fellowship. For more information or to volunteer, email Sarah Willmering at saphire12345678910@gmail.com.

I am struck by the motto of Kingdom Prep High School, that I see at the bottom of the steps leading up to the cafeteria: The strength of the wolf is the pack and the strength of the pack is the wolf. It is important to contribute to the community, not just benefit from all the ministry of others. Please consider joining CLC or another parish ministry. Thank you.

Prayers Needed

Please continue to pray that we find the right fit for our music ministry, as we move into the future; that the Spirit guide those discerning the new bishop for our diocese; and for Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School, that God continue to bless its ministry to underserved young men.

He is truly risen! Alleluia!

Have a blessed Easter season.

Catholic Identity

Holly Cartier

English is such an expressive, descriptive language. Except when it comes to LOVE. Then it is... I love pizza, I love french fries, I love cozy jammies, I love my neighbor, I love Jesus. I do wish we had other words for the feeling we are trying to express.

How can we love the person who is harming the innocent? How can we love the person making war? How can we feel the emotion for each other that we are supposed to feel for Our Father and for His Son? It's so difficult for even the most positive and optimistic of us to turn the other cheek, offer our tunic when someone takes our cloak, and to put out a loving hand to those who hurt us.

As Jesus was hours away from the crucifixion at the Last Supper, He told his apostles, "I give you a new commandment. Love one another." John 13:34. How can we live this commandment? How does this translate in our lives?

While pondering this question, I was flipping through my prayer book, and my finger stopped on the Prayer of St. Gregory. In the prayer, St. Gregory talks about the Loving-Kindness of God to give us his only Son, and of Jesus' Loving-Kindness in his sacrifice to redeem us all. Perhaps this is the best definition of what we are to feel for one another and how we are supposed to treat each other. The Loving-Kindness that God and his Son bestowed on us and that we can bestow on one another is a gift and example of the Love Jesus is commanding us to give to one another. May you find the joy of the Risen Christ and fill your lives with the Loving-Kindness of God.

This is our faith, this is our Catholic Identity.

Holly appreciates your comments at hcarts.hc@gmail.com.

Operations & Finance

Dean Weyer

Director of Operations & Finance

Finances

Now eight (of twelve) months into our fiscal year, our net operating surplus is on pace to the budget for the year. While stewardship giving still lags about \$5,000 behind the budget, that shortfall is offset by other favorable income and expense categories. Barring something unforeseen of significance, we will end the year with income that will cover our expenses.

The annual pledge campaign to project next year's budget was successful in that 46% of our parishioners have responded to the campaign and 25% of those responders increased their pledges! When we allow for likely donations from parishioners that do not pledge, we will be able to project an income level that will cover our planned facility, personnel and ministry expenditures for the 2024/25 operating budget.

Note: 40% of our donors now utilize electronic funds transfer and/or the online giving tool (Vanco) for their stewardship giving. This is a safe and easy way to donate. For more information, feel free to contact me or visit www.stpiusparish.org/donate-now.html.

THANK YOU to all who support the St. Pius X Parish Community with your financial support and prayers!

Our Future

With the closing of Wauwatosa Catholic last year and the recent news of our friends and neighbors at St. Bernard Parish, we have already heard the concern: "what about us"? Please know and trust that our status and financial situation is not related to that at St. Bernard. Our membership has held steady over the past five years (90+ new families) and our Salvatorian roots/relationship is certainly a benefit to us.

With strong parishioner stewardship, efficient operations and the relationship with Kingdom Prep, we have successfully managed operating surpluses in seven of the past eight years. Over that time we've invested over \$450,000 maintaining our buildings and equipment including, the convent roof, our furnaces, boiler and AC unit. Annually we allocate \$40,000 for preventative maintenance and breakable items. The Love One Another Campaign will yield about \$200,000 toward that first furnace (or two) that will need replacement in the coming years. Selling the easternmost portion of the parking lot has also helped us a great deal. We have no debt and enough savings set aside to cover at least one or two significant expenditures, such as replacing more roofs.

Please know however, that your financial support is critical to cover our ongoing ministry and facility expenses.

Pius Supports Catholic School Education!

We are in the middle of registration periods for Catholic elementary schools for the 2024/25 school year. Do you have or want to enroll your child(ren) in a Catholic elementary school? Please be aware that we have funds to financially assist St. Pius X families who choose to send their child(ren) to a Catholic elementary school at another parish. Pius will cover any school's "non-parishioner tuition penalty"! Additional assistance is also available to help with the base tuition costs.

In addition, we would like to know of our Pius families that are attending a Catholic high school. There may be some assistance available for you as well. Contact me for more information!

Miscellaneous

Once or twice a year I like to promote the use of the brown "TAKE PRIDE IN PIUS! (Building & Grounds Fund) envelopes. Monies that come in this way, separate from your stewardship giving, are put aside to a specially designated fund used to cover unplanned repairs or improvements to the buildings and grounds not provided for in the operating budget. Examples include: sidewalk repairs, a blown hot water heater and room updates (paint/flooring/ceiling tiles). It's so helpful to have this little "piggy bank" when the need arises! If you do not have the special envelope and would like to donate, write "B&G Fund" on a plain envelope and/or the check memo line. Every dollar helps - thank you!

Help Needed

We're looking for some help to clear the church and school entrances when snow arrives before our service can get to us. If you know of someone, please have them contact me!

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Faith Formation

Rob Hoffmann

Director of Adult Formation

OUR EASTER CRY: "ALLELUIA"

The word "alleluia" comes from the Hebrew word "halelujah," which means "praise ye Yahweh, praise to Him WHO IS." It is an ancient liturgical form of jubilation, especially in the Psalms, which is now used in the divine Office (the official, daily prayer of the Church) and Eucharistic liturgy.

Alleluia! At the Easter Vigil we celebrated five adult confirmations and an adult baptism. It's been a while since we have given these sacraments to adults here at St. Pius X, so this was a special evening for so many reasons:

- Special because this is the evening of the Easter Vigil, beginning at sunset. Jewish tradition holds that the new day starts at sunset rather than midnight, so the vigil actually takes place on the "third day," the day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- Special because it is the end of the Triduum, the three holy days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. You can think of these holy services as one long prayer. At a typical Sunday Mass, we have an opening hymn and a closing hymn, a beginning and an end. Holy Thursday has an opening hymn but no closing hymn; Good Friday has neither; and the Easter Vigil does not have an opening hymn, but does have the closing hymn we have been waiting for since Thursday night.
- Special because it's the first time since Ash Wednesday that we sing "Alleluia."
- Special because it is traditionally the time we bring catechumens (adults being baptized) and candidates (adults already baptized but wanting confirmation) into the Church.
- Special for Brittany, who was baptized Catholic but wasn't brought up in the faith. She wished for the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

- Special for Megan, who received baptism, reconciliation and Eucharist, but was never confirmed. Her son was baptized here last year and they wish to give him a faith-filled life.
- Special for Alex, who contacted me last fall looking for a church to give him the Sacrament of Confirmation, He found me on the internet and, when he said he didn't live in Wauwatosa, I suggested he could look for churches in his area; after a few conversations, he said he felt comfortable with us and wanted to come here.
- Special for Samantha, who was raised both Jewish and Christian (I told her "so was Jesus") and wanted to become Catholic, like her husband and daughter.
- Special for Austin, who was asked to be a godfather and wanted to be confirmed before that baptism.
- Special for all of us, because we truly are a special welcoming community.

We started preparing for this day as a group last fall, meeting once a week, with a couple breaks for holidays. Each week we discussed a different topic, such as the Bible, the liturgy, church buildings, prayer, Jesus as divine and human, Mary, angels, saints, Christmas, the Creed, the Sacraments, Church as community, Church as institution, and Easter.

And so now they join us on our journey, trying to make a difference in the lives of others, using the gift of the Holy Spirit, received in Confirmation, to become Apostles for Christ!

So here is a question: do you know someone special that might want to journey with us by receiving the gift of baptism or confirmation? If not now, you may in the future; when that time comes, suggest they contact us, because we are a special, welcoming community.



Our Vibrant Parish Life



The families & young parishioners who participated in our first Family Mass did a fantastic job!

Bro. Silas Henderson, SDS & Aperi Animam were guests at our Lenten Evening Reflection.



Parish members & friends met once a week during Lent to learn about contemplative living.



The Seniors Club celebrated St. Patrick's day!



Stewardship Commission

Sue Haertel, SDS

Well Report

We are happy to report that another well has been completed in Tanzania! Check out the letter and photos below from Dr. James Nyangas, the president of Safe Water for Life and Dignity (SWLD).

Dear St. Pius X parishioners and friends,

I am delighted to let you know that SWLD has completed another Living Waters Project well in Mvumi village. The village is home to over 500 people, the majority of them being farmers. Like many rural areas of Tanzania, this village was affected by the acute shortage of water.

The scarcity of water affected both humans and livestock. As a solution, villagers used to dig shallow holes on the ground to collect some water. These holes were very temporary, and quickly became dry and easily contaminated. As such at the quality and quantity of water from the traditional wells were unfit for human consumption. Due to the use of these wells many villagers became ill or lived under very deteriorated health conditions.

SWLD thoroughly examined the situation and decided to intervene once we received the Living Water funds. We thank you at St. Pius X for remarkable contribution in the eradication of poverty and improving the livelihoods of our people.

*Thank you,
Dr. James*

Open Doors Pius

Dates: Saturday, April 27th & Sunday, April 28th

Times: Directly after each Mass

Location: Meet at the foot of the altar steps

Was our building really once a Guernsey dairy? What is the meaning of the Latin phrase above the Crucifix? How do you get to the Francis Jordan and Mary of the Apostle rooms?

Whether you're a new parishioner or have been here for years, learn more about our parish at Open Doors Pius! During the tour, your guide will talk about the history of our parish, explain various elements in the church and will show you where rooms such as the library and chapel are located.

And you don't have to worry, you'll be done in time to still enjoy donuts and fellowship on Sunday!



One of the previous sources of water.



Celebrating the new well!



Justice & Peace

Joan Quinn

What amazing weather has graced us already this year. While we may still see snow before winter is over, the warm weather has gotten many of us eager to get out and think of gardening.



As our commission considers food insecurity in our local area, we are continually looking for ways we can have an impact. Put those two thoughts together and what do we have...the possibility of growing food and sharing the excess of our gardens with those who for whatever reason, do not have access to fresh produce.

So, to those who garden every year, those who perhaps are wannabe gardeners, and those who have not really considered it, the Justice and Peace Commission would like to challenge one and all to consider growing vegetables this summer. There is no need for a full-fledged, neatly-rowed garden of many kinds of veggies; maybe just a couple tomato or zucchini plants (sure to have some excess!) is what you can start with.

Think about it...imagine it...do it!

Save the Date for the Next Skate Night!

Date: Saturday, May 4th

Time: 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Location: St. Pius X Gym

Visit www.stpiusparish.org/skate-night.html for more information.

Health Ministry

Pat Bruce

Brain Health Resource Fair

Date: Wednesday, April 10th

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Location: Wilson Park Senior Center (2601 W. Howard Avenue, Milwaukee)

Presented by: Milwaukee County DHHS Aging & Disability Services

Community partners at the fair: Alzheimer's Association, Wisconsin Alzheimer's Institute, Medical College of WI & more!

Join us for this event that will feature information and resources around brain health, memory loss, dementia and caregiving. During our fair, there will be free memory screenings, free blood pressure checks and snacks available!

To learn more about this event, contact Cristina Huitron at Cristina.Huitron@milwaukeecountywi.gov or (414) 514-4787.

Health Ministry, continued

Pat Bruce

Teen's Health

5 Ways to Prepare for Your Sports Season

Competitive sports are a lot fun. They help you stay healthy, meet new people, and teach you about teamwork. If you've never played a sport before, it's a chance to try something new. But sports also take a lot of hard work and practice. So starting a new season might make you feel a little nervous.

Here are some ways to help you get ready for the first day:

1. Get in shape. Being in shape will help you have an easier start to your sport season. Start by writing down an exercise plan. If you're having trouble coming up with a plan or workouts, ask your coach, gym teacher, or trainer for advice. If you can't make it to a gym or don't have a lot of time, there are lots of exercise apps and online workouts you can try at home.

Write down your goals for the week and the workouts you plan to do. Schedule specific workout times. This will help you stay motivated and stick to your exercise plan. It will also help you keep track of what activities you did. If you liked a certain workout, make a note next to it so you can repeat it another week.

2. Set realistic goals. While you get ready for the start of your sports season, think of what you want to achieve. Your goals may be general, like making the team or getting in shape. But smaller, specific goals are easier to achieve and can build toward your bigger goal. Be sure to write down your goals and discuss them with your parent or coach — they can support you. If you reach your goal, set new goals to work toward. Having goals can be a great motivator!

3. Check your gear. If you're returning to your sport, try on your equipment to make sure it still fits and works for you. If you're new to a sport, ask your coach what you'll need. You can buy your gear secondhand or borrow it from siblings or friends to save money. Make sure all your gear is clean and safe to use. If you're unsure, ask your coach to look at it before the first day of practice.

4. Consider a sports camp. Sports camps help new and experienced players practice skills before the season starts. College players, coaches, or other professionals usually teach the camps. Most include drill sessions, then scrimmages toward the end of the day. Drill work helps improve skills. Scrimmaging with other campers lets you practice those skills in real-game situations. Scrimmages also can help you get the feel of playing on a team if it's something you're not used to. Many schools and colleges offer sports camps and clinics during the summer and on the weekends during the school year.

5. See your doctor. Your school or team will need you to get a sports physical before allowing you to try out or play. Because everyone needs to get checked to play, doctors are busiest at the beginning of sports seasons.

Ask your mom or dad to set up an appointment before your season starts. That gives the doctor plenty of time to fill out your paperwork so you can start your sport on time. If you wear glasses, consider visiting your eye doctor to check your prescription and get the right protective eyewear.

Whether you're training with a team or on your own, remember to include rest time into your schedule. Make sure you take at least 1–2 days off per week from competitive sports and training. Take at least 2 months off each year from any particular sport to prevent repetitive stress injuries.

Medically reviewed by: Mary L. Gavin, MD
TeensHealth™, The Nemours Foundation, 2024

Source:

<https://kidshealth.org/en/teens/tips-sports.html>



St. Pius X Parish Community

April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Mass, 8:00am Rosary, 8:30am, Chapel	2 Health Ministry, 6:00pm, FJ	3 Mass, 8:00am Bridges to Contemplative Living, 8:30-9:30 am, FJ Bridges to Contemplative Living, 6:30-7:30pm, Zoom Formation & Evangelization, 7:00pm, Zoom	4	5 Mass, 8:00am Reflection on Sunday Scriptures, 8:30am, FJ	6 Reconciliation 4- 4:30pm, Chapel Mass 5:00pm
7 - Fellowship Sunday Mass, 8:00am Mass, 10:30am Middle School YM, 4-5:30pm, CK HS Alpha & Small Groups, 6:30-8:00pm, CK	8 Mass, 8:00am Rosary, 8:30am, Chapel	9 Seniors Club Board, 10:30am, FJ Justice & Peace, 7:00pm, FJ	10 Mass, 8:00am Pastoral Council, 7:00 pm, FJ	11	12 Mass, 8:00am Reflection on Sunday Scriptures, 8:30am, FJ	13 Spring river clean up, 9:00am, Church parking lot Reconciliation 4- 4:30pm, Chapel Mass 5:00pm
14 - Fellowship Sunday Mass, 8:00am CGS 1, 2 & 3, 9:00-10:15am, CK Mass, 10:30am CGS 1 & 2, 1-2:30pm, CK Middle School YM, 4-5:30pm, CK HS Alpha & Small Groups, 6:30-8:00pm, CK	15 Mass, 8:00am Rosary, 8:30am, Chapel CGS 2, 4:15-5:45, CK Stewardship Commission, 5:30pm, FJ J4J Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Church	16 Stations of the Resurrection, 6:00pm, Church	17 Mass, 8:00am CGS 1, 2 & 3, 4:15-5:45pm, CK CGS 3, 6-7:30pm, CK	18 Celebration Singers Rehearsal, 7:00- 8:30pm, Church	19 Mass, 8:00am Reflection on Sunday Scriptures, 8:30am, FJ CGS 1, 10:00- 11:30pm, CK	20 Reconciliation 4- 4:30pm, Chapel Mass 5:00pm
21 - Fellowship Sunday Mass, 8:00am CGS 1, 2 & 3, 9:00-10:15am, CK Family Mass, 10:30am CGS 1 & 2, 1-2:30pm, CK	22 Mass, 8:00am Rosary, 8:30am, Chapel CGS 2, 4:15-5:45, CK Finance Council, 6:00pm, FJ J4J Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Church	23 Seniors Mass & Luncheon, 10:00am, Church, FJ & MA	24 Mass, 8:00am CGS 1, 2 & 3, 4:15-5:45pm, CK CGS 3, 6-7:30pm, CK	25	26 Mass, 8:00am Reflection on Sunday Scriptures, 8:30am, FJ CGS 1, 10:00- 11:30pm, CK	27 Reconciliation 4- 4:30pm, Chapel Mass 5:00pm Open Doors Pius, after Mass, meet at Altar steps
28 - Fellowship Sunday Mass, 8:00am Open Doors Pius, after Mass, meet at Altar steps CGS 1, 2 & 3, 9:00-10:15am, CK Mass, 10:30am Open Doors Pius, after Mass, meet at Altar steps Baptism Class, 11:30am, FJ CGS 1 & 2, 1-2:30pm, CK	29 Mass, 8:00am Rosary, 8:30am, Chapel CGS 2, 4:15-5:45, CK	30	Key 101 = Room 101 CGS = Catechesis of the Good Shepherd CK = Christ King FJ = Francis Jordan Room MA = Mary of the Apostles Room YM = Youth Ministry Fellowship Sundays = Join us for donuts, juice and coffee served after the Sunday Masses in the cafeteria			

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. (1 Peter 4:10)



PARISH LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2024

Are you interested in becoming more involved in your parish or do you know a fellow parishioner who would be? We are seeking nominations for Parish Council and Parish Trustee and ask that you prayerfully consider nominating someone who would be a good leader, including yourself.

Completed nomination forms may be placed in the offertory basket or turned into the parish office. Nominations can also be submitted via email to frpaul@stpiusparish.org. Persons who are nominated will be contacted and invited to participate in a discernment session to give them more information on the commitment.

For more information on the Parish Council and Parish Trustee positions visit www.stpiusparish.org/pastoral--finance-councils.html.

Schedule for the 2024 Nomination Selection Process

- **March 9/10:**
 - Nominations are open!
 - Nomination information is in the bulletin and will be in the April Pius Press (newsletter).
 - An announcement about the process will be made at all Masses for four weekends: March 16/17, March 23/24, March 30/31 and April 6/7.
- **April 6/7:**
 - Official nomination weekend. **All nominations (pastoral council and trustee) close after the 10:30 am Mass on April 21.**
- **April 22 – May 6:**
 - Pastoral Council nominees are contacted and invited to an orientation and discernment session to be held on May 8.
- **May 8:**
 - An orientation/discernment session for Pastoral Council members will take place. Afterwards, present council members discern who will be the new members.
- **May 11/12:**
 - After each of the Masses, balloting for the trustee position will take place if more than one person is nominated.
 - An announcement of candidates and upcoming election will be in the bulletin on the weekends of April 27/28 and May 4/5.
- **June 12:**
 - The Pastoral Council discerns council leadership for 2024-2025.
- **July 1:**
 - The new terms of office begin.

Leaders should have the following:

1. A faith that is alive and Gospel oriented
2. A sense of the mission of the Church and St. Pius X Parish Community
3. Creativity and energy
4. A willingness to make a commitment of time and talent
5. A willingness to listen to others' viewpoints
6. The ability to relate to people and work as a team member

Nominees must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a baptized, practicing Catholic
2. Be a registered member of the parish
3. Be a participant in the parish worship life, especially Mass and the sacraments
4. Be at least 18 years old for Parish Council & 25 for Parish Trustee

PARISH TRUSTEE

The Trustee is a corporate officer with corporate and administrative duties. The Trustee is involved in the financial aspect of the parish. As an ex-officio member of the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council, the Trustee is expected to attend these meetings. Trustees are the second signature on checks with the pastor. Candidates must be practicing Catholic parish members, at least twenty-five years of age, and need to be nominated in writing by ten or more parish members. **We are looking for one Trustee for a two-year term.** If more than one person is nominated, an election will be held after Masses the weekend of May 11/12.

PARISH TRUSTEE NOMINATION

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council is a critical support to the pastor in his spiritual leadership of the parish. Some of the areas of concern for the Pastoral Council include spiritual life and worship; Christian formation for parishioners of all ages; human concerns and works of justice; stewardship; collaboration and community building activities. The Pastoral Council normally meets on Wednesday evenings once a month. A current focus is helping our ministry groups and parishioners move toward our parish goals. **We are discerning three pastoral council members, each for a three-year term.**

PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATION(S)

*Thank you for your nominations.
Please pray for the blessings of the Spirit on our discernment
and selection of parish leadership.*