

**INVITATION TO SERVE ON THE
CLUSTER PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Our Combined Pastoral Council serves a key role in envisioning and planning the direction that will allow our churches to serve our various constituents – parishioners, community, Catholic Church and the world. St. Catherine and St. Joan parishioners who are interested in learning about serving on the Council are invited to attend an information session to be held Thursday, May 24 at 6:30 pm at St. Joan of Arc. (Meeting will be held in the library.)

If you wish to be considered as a nominee, or to recommend another parishioner who would be a good candidate, please complete the following:

YOUR NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

PARISH: ☐ St Catherine ☐ St Joan of Arc

OR

I recommend my fellow parish member for consideration in one of these roles, and ask that they be contacted.

YOUR NAME: _____

PERSON YOU RECOMMEND: _____

PARISH: ☐ St Catherine ☐ St Joan of Arc

THEIR PHONE and/or EMAIL (if known): _____

ELIGIBILITY: *Council members must be baptized, practicing Catholics, registered members of the parish, participants in the parish worship life, especially Mass and the sacraments, and at least 18 years of age. (25 years for the Trustee position.)*

RETURN this information by May 18 . Put this form in the collection basket OR email the information to Gary Josephson (St Catherine) at garyjosephson@yahoo.com or to Jim Hoover (St Joan of Arc) at jimmaryhoover@att.net.

Relevant Qualities for Council Members

Ability to Collaborate

Parishes function best when there is collaboration among priests, deacons, staff and laity. Council members need to have the ability to work with others, to respect others' views and to trust the process of consensus decision-making.

Deep Love for the Mission of Jesus and the Church

The mission of Jesus and His Church is at the core of council ministry. Council members need to have a love for and be committed to seeing that the mission is carried out in its fullness within the parish and throughout the community.

Willing to Grow in Holiness

All Christians by virtue of their baptism are called to holiness. Council members should be people of prayer and reflection and be open to the work of the Spirit in their own lives.

Desire to Serve the Church

All Christians are called to lives of service. Council members should see their service as a responsibility of baptism and a call to be a servant leader like Jesus.

Look to the Future

One of the major roles of the council is to plan for mission activity in the future. Council members need to be people who are hopeful and able to identify strategies and approaches which will help the parish carry out the mission even more effectively

Interest in Ongoing Formation

The liturgical year of the Church is designed to renew and deepen the faith of all who believe. Council members need to be people who will help the parish carry out the mission even more effectively.

Sense of Stewardship

Stewardship is the disciple's response to faith. Council members need to understand that all we have comes from God and our response is to wisely use the resources which God has given us.