

The following is a candidate for the open seats (4) on
The St. Thomas More Pastoral Council * Election Date: May 6 and 7, 2017

Name: TRACY CLAPP

Parish/Regina Involvement: I have been a Communion Minister for a number of years at the 11:00am Mass. I helped chaperone a group of STM youth at the NCYC in Indianapolis, which was an amazing experience. I was involved in the Regina PISA (Parents in Support of the Arts) for over 4 years, I have helped with obtaining props and painting sets for Regina musicals and plays. I also helped organize the Regina Speech Coffee House performances for the speech department prior to speech contests. I spearheaded a recognition plaque that recognized outstanding Fine Arts students from 2000-present that is displayed outside the cafeteria at Regina. I have had a number of opportunities to volunteer at Regina including the Fall Fun Festival food tents, class trip chaperone, vocal and band trip chaperone to name a few. When my children were in grade school my husband and I were the vice president of the elementary Home and School organization.

Volunteer Work in Local Community: I have organized an information table and fundraising effort for the Iowa Donor Network to help raise awareness for organ and tissue donations at a Regina Blaze softball tournament. I am currently the head of our nursing unit Sunshine Committee at work. We recognize and support staff during life events such as weddings, births and deaths of family members to bring a little sunshine to our staff members.

Why do you want to serve on the Pastoral Council? I feel serving on STM parish council would be a wonderful opportunity to get more involved in my church. Now that I am an "empty nester" I have more time to focus on my parish stewardship.

What skills/talents do you feel you would bring to this position? Over the years I have had the opportunity to work on different committees which have allowed me to develop my leadership, organizational and planning skills to work with others on group projects as well as the ability to take on an assignment/project and complete them independently.

Occupation: Pediatric Nurse at the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital

Family: I have two college age children Michael and Lauren that attend Augustana College in Rock Island. My husband Brian passed away in 2008.