

Parish Council Monthly Bulletin Announcement

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Parish Council Mission: Connect the parish (laity, religious, and organizations), provide counsel and feedback to the Pastor, enhance communication across the parish, and ensure continuity of the various parish organizations and ministries.

Members: Tom Garrity – chair, Dan Ulicny – vice chair, Andrew Guman, Christine Lynch, Caitlin Shutte, and Paul Wirth

Updates:

- Construction completed on ‘Joseph side’. Final aesthetics are a work in progress.
- Handicap parking expansion is being explored in the back parking lot
- Hope Church uses and design concepts are being developed by the STM School Board and the Building & Grounds Committee.

Questions/ideas submitted by Parishioners:

1. More attention will be given to hand sanitizing by those distributing communion prior to the distribution.
2. The Diocese has changed the order of eulogies at the funeral mass: eulogies will be conducted either prior to the beginning of Mass or at the reception following interment.

Some of the current initiatives of the Parish Council include:

- Forming a committee to develop a long-range strategic plan for the parish. This document will provide a 10 to 20-year vision for the Parish, establish priorities, and help guide the allocation of resources.
- Re-establishing the Parish weekend retreat during Lent
- Volunteer sign-ups for various parish organizations after mass during the month of September or October
- Working with the Finance Committee on a monthly, high-level financial report in the bulletin
- In an effort to update the Parish database, please complete the form below. You may fill it out by hand and drop in the Sunday collection or use the QR code with your phone and complete it online. These forms will also be distributed in the pews as another option to complete. Thank you.

Parishioner Database Update

New Parishioner Existing Parishioner

Name _____ Birthdate _____

Household Family Members and Relationship _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Are you Alumni of STM School? Y / N If so, what year? _____

† Use QR code on the flip side to fill out online.

† Please share any feedback or comments with Parish Council using the QR code online or the space on the flip side of this form.

Scan QR code to complete survey online.



Comments for Parish Council: _____

The parish council is here to serve everyone in the parish and facilitate two-way communication between the parish and the Pastor. Please reach out to any of the council members with any suggestions, questions, or requests. You can reach me (Tom Garrity) directly at tgarrity@compasspt.com or 610-533-4652.

Yours in Christ, Tom

Tom Garrity, Parish Council Chair