

Welcome to Stewardship News

This is the inaugural addition of the monthly Stewardship News. We hope to bring you information about stewardship in your Sacred Heart parish community. Articles may include highlighting a particular ministry, giving you an update on ministries that need volunteers, what is happening in the parish, upcoming events and of the various fund drives and overall parish finances.

We hope the News will be informative and will maybe help some find a ministry that they would really like to do.

This is an evolving insert and would appreciate your feedback in upcoming months.

The Stewardship Committee.

Election Season Is Here!

Did I hear a collective groan?

Well, it isn't that bad! The campaign won't be long. The election is the weekend of April 12th and the candidates haven't been nominated yet!

Three new members of the Pastoral Council are to be elected on the weekend of April 12th. We are currently seeking nominations.

So what is the Pastoral Council?

(We are taking excerpts from the Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council By-Laws.) The complete by-laws are available for review in the parish office

Purpose

1. Through the parish pastoral council, which is a consultative body, the Christian faithful are to "give their help in fostering pastoral activity"
2. Pastoral activity means especially the proclamation of the Word of God and catechetical formation, the celebration of the Eucharist and the other sacraments as well as the fostering of family and individual prayer, and serving those in spiritual or bodily need.

Membership

1. Members of the parish pastoral council are to be members of Sacred Heart parish in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.
2. There are nine members of the council plus the Pastor.
3. Members serve a three year term renewable once.
4. Terms begin in May following the April election.
5. The names of the members of the Pastoral Council will be made known to all parishioners

Meetings

1. The council may meet monthly but shall meet no less than quarterly.
2. A Pastoral Council member may also be selected to be a member of one of the following Pastoral Council standing committees.
 - a. Agenda
 - b. Faith Formation
 - c. Liturgy
 - d. St Francis of Assisi Charitable Concerns
3. A Pastoral Council member may be selected to attend the Parish Finance Council meetings
Current Members (1st or 2nd term)

Term expires 5/1/15

Bud Hensel (1st), Karen Nelson (1st), Paul Trimbo (1st)

Term expires 5/1/16

Dick Riewer (2nd), Heather Mitchell(1st), Jeanne Riley(1st)

Term Expires 5/1/17

Dallas Flynn (2st), Travis Nagel (2nd), Kathy Stenger (1st)

Is this important parish ministry for you? Do you know someone who has the gifts to perform this ministry? Encourage them to contact one of the above or do it for them if they consent to run. . Have more questions, contact Bud Hensel at 334-2016. Contact any of the above or Marlys Jacobson to enter the race. Nominations should be submitted no later than April 6, 2015.

Where does my committee fit?

The parish organization chart is on the next page. We will look at each of the councils and committees in more depth in the upcoming months.