

On Mission for the Church Alive!

Update

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District Consultation Meeting of May 10, 2017

- Meeting Objectives:
 - Diocesan presentation of revised parish grouping for our regional cluster based on feedback from previous consultations
 - Obtain immediate reaction to the proposed grouping from all the parish delegates
 - Lay out the next steps in the On Mission process

Parish Grouping

- St. Joseph (O’Hara Township)
- St. Juan Diego
- St. Scholastica
- St. Pio of Pietrelcina (former St. Edward Parish portion)

- 2,700 weekly Mass goers in 2016
- Proposed campuses:
 - Current 6
 - End state 3 (*must accommodate Korean Community*)
- Priests assigned:
 - Current 3.5
 - 2018 3
 - End state 2

Parish Grouping Categories

The Implementation Work Group is refining Implementation Categories to assist with the Blueprint- *(see example below)*

Implementation Category	A	B	C
<i>Characteristics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parishes struggle financially and/or • Are in demographically challenged areas or face some other pastoral/vitality issue • Or indicate readiness to proceed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parishes financial viability does not extend past 2-3 years • Sacramental demographics show noticeable decline • Initial conversations for collaboration have begun 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically larger and more complex parishes
<i>Blueprint/ Implementation Timeline</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get to end state in 1 year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get to end state in 1-3 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get to end state in 3-5 years

Recommended Implementation

- All pastors and priests receive their assignments at the same time
- The timing of when parishes merge is dictated by the situation
- A “Blueprint” for the merger is developed and includes:
 - ✓ Timeline for merging the parishes
 - ✓ What is needed to merge the parishes
 - ✓ How many campuses to be used
 - ✓ Initial thoughts on staffing
 - ✓ A guideline for development of ministry
 - ✓ The process through which the pastor and parish leadership create new identity and local ownership

Next Steps

- Feedback from St. Joseph Parishioners to the Parish by June 1, 2017
- Feedback from Parishes to Diocese by June 8, 2017
- June – December 2017, On Mission Commission refines models based on feedback and submits recommendations to Bishop Zubik
- Early-2018, Bishop Zubik announces his decisions and timelines for implementation

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