## **Pastoral Council Nominations**

The Pastoral Council is a consultative leadership body representing the entire parish. Working together with our pastor, Fr. Brendan Walsh, this Council provides critical guidance, support and vision for the pastoral activity of the parish and aids in the establishment of policies and procedures. It is important that we have a Council that is representative of the make-up of our Parish. All parishioners, long-timers, short-timers and new parishioners are welcomed as nominees.

We are asking all parishioners to seriously reflect upon serving on our Parish Pastoral Council. This year four members will be selected to serve for three years, one member to serve one year, and two alternates will be chosen to serve on the Council if needed. The selection process for Council candidates begins the weekend of April 24/25 when nomination ballots will be distributed at each Mass. Parishioners will be asked to submit nominations – either themselves or someone else.

Nominees will be contacted and asked to attend an evening of discernment on Thursday, May 13, we will observe social spacing guidelines and masks will be required. Council members will share the roles and duties of the Council. Those parishioners who accept the nomination will be included in a "selection by lot" to be held at the 5pm Mass during the Vigil Mass of Pentecost on Saturday, May 22.

This is a very important group that provides counsel and guidance on the critical decisions here at St. Joseph Parish. Please ask the Holy Spirit to guide and enlighten you in this very important commitment to the spiritual and pragmatic needs of St. Joseph Parish.

## Caritas Committee - Nominations for Membership

It is time to appeal to you, members of the St. Joseph Parish family, to identify candidates to serve on the Caritas Committee. The candidate could be you or someone else whom you believe would be a good steward and sensitive to the needs of those around them.

The Caritas Committee is composed of nine people as well as representatives from the Pastoral and Finance Councils and a staff liaison. Members of this committee research and recommend possible recipients, and present the Caritas Sunday appeals on their behalf. The Committee monitors the collection results and reports the amounts distributed via bulletin and *Chips and Sawdust* articles.

On the weekend of May 1/2, we are seeking nominations for individuals to serve on the Committee. Serving on Caritas is a great way to get to know people in the parish and to become more informed about the needs and services in our community. Please consider nominating yourself or someone whom you feel would be a good candidate.

All nominees will be invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday, May 12, for an evening of discernment to learn more about serving on the Committee. Three new committee members will be chosen by lot to serve 3-year terms, and two individuals will be selected to serve one-year terms as alternates. at the 5pm Mass on Pentecost eve, Saturday, May 22.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this worthwhile ministry.

St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council I would like to nominate:	St. Joseph Parish Caritas Committee I would like to nominate:
NAME:	NAME:
PHONE:	PHONE:
Nomination for: Self: Other:	Nomination for: Self: Other:
Candidates must be at least 18 years old, confirmed, and a registered member of the Parish.	Candidates must be at least 18 years old, confirmed, and a registered member of the Parish.