

We currently have six members on Parish Council including Father Emmanuel. We need three members to fill our vacant positions and as well, Luke is completing five years and will be finished his term on December 31st. In effect, we need four persons to join Parish Council. Thus, nominations will occur over the months of October and November and the new Council will be installed for January 2018. Parish Council work is spread fairly even and most members are responsible for one specific function as we keep the workload light on one another. We only have nine meetings per year and you would find Stewardship in this regard rewarding. This is "YOUR PARISH" and perhaps you could become one of the four persons needed to fulfill this ministry. THANKS VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

6. FALL FUNDRAISERS

Our fall fair, suppers, etc. as well as our Carol sing are coming up. Please show your support and make these functions successful. As noted in the bulletin there is a meeting of the Parishioners who are generally involved in these fund raisers as well as a call for new members to meet at the Parish house on Tuesday, October 10th at 7:30.

7. CATECHETICAL PROGRAM AND YOUNGER FAMILIES

We will again, for the second year, employ a person to manage our youth programs. We hope this will lead to younger families becoming more involved in the Parish. As we begin this years program, we will be for the first time ever, asking the Parents to register in our Parish. Thus, we will be able to communicate through email to seek their advice on the programs and what we can do to better serve them and their families. This is an added step to assess the value of our work.

8. LITURGY

This is probably the most important work within our Parish. Our thanks to the dedicated members of these various committees.

We wish to send a special thank you to Father Emmanuel for his support over the past year. He has made a great sacrifice dedicating his time to our Parish. He is a long way from his own home, away from family and friends and having to integrate into our culture/customs/climate and language etc. cannot be easy. We appreciate his efforts and give him our heartfelt thanks.

From my perspective, I will be finalizing my five years on Parish Council at year-end. They were good and productive years and work on behalf of our Parish is satisfying. I urge people in our congregation to step up and help keep our Parish a model for others to follow. Thanks for the support of Parishioners and Parish Council members present and past. Luke

Parish Council Representatives

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