

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR CONCERNING RECENT CHANGES

Dear Parishioners,

In light of our rapid development and growing needs as a parish and in consultation on various levels, I have made a number of changes to assist me in the administration of the parish. I am happy to inform you that I have created a new position which will include the administration of the following programs: the Parish Religious Education Program, the Adult Faith Formation Program and future Summer Religious Education Programs for our children. The new position of Director of Religious Education will be posted publically in July to receive applications. A sub-committee of the Parish Finance Council will be formed to help me oversee the interview process.

This new position will interface with a new Director of Youth Ministry who will be shared with St. Martin of Tours Parish and who will be hired in the near future. This new arrangement will help to make a smooth transition from the Parish Religious Education Program to the High School CYO Program as well as assist and support the parish CYO Sports Program as needed.

I wish to acknowledge Ms. Pamela Miller who has held the position of Coordinator of Religious Education for the past three years. We thank her for her faithful service and wish her well in her future endeavors. I also wish to acknowledge Ms. Anne Kane for her faithful service and commitment to our Adult Faith Formation Program over the last two years. While Anne will be officially retiring from the position as Director, she will continue to participate in the program as a volunteer.

Additionally, we will be hiring a Director of Liturgical Music in the very near future. Over the last year with the support of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council, I have worked with the present heads and representatives of the parish music ministry to assess the needs of the parish as far as the music program. We were able to come up with a job description that would best address our needs, develop our goals and objectives for the future and plan the direction in which we would like to see our music program grow, especially as we make preparations to worship in our new church.

I am very excited about these three new positions of Director of Religious Education, Director of Youth Ministry and Director of Liturgical Music. I am confident that these positions will be important to the administration of the parish in serving our pastoral needs. You will be further informed as more information becomes available and the positions are filled.

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to our parish and your prayerful support of these initiatives.

Reverend Monsignor Joseph P. Gentili