

Follow-up to Changes in Administrative Structure

Dear Parishioners,

I wish to follow-up with you concerning my letter to you last week about the changes and additions to the administrative structure of the parish. After consultation on various levels, I am pleased to inform you of the hiring for two of the three positions announced last week.

First, I have hired a new Director of Youth Ministry who will be shared with St. Martin of Tours Parish, New Hope. Please welcome to our parish staff, Mrs. Gail Downing who comes to us from Washington's Crossing and has been assisting in the youth ministry program at St. George Parish, Titusville, NJ. Mrs. Downing will begin this new position during the summer in order to make preparations for activities in the fall. I am confident that Mrs. Downing's experience and enthusiasm will be a great asset in promoting youth ministry in our parish. She will also serve as an invaluable resource as she interfaces with the Parish Religious Education Program, CYO Program and the Adult Faith Formation Program.

Second, I have also hired a Director of Liturgical Music. Please welcome to our parish staff, Ms. Paula Furman, from Croydon. Ms. Furman will transition into this new position during the summer. She comes to us well trained and with fourteen years of experience in directing parish music programs. I am confident that her enthusiasm and approach will be a wonderful addition in leading all aspects of our parish music program.

The search continues for a Director of Religious Education who will be in charge of the Parish Religious Education Program, the Adult Faith Formation Program and future Summer Religious Education Programs for our children. If you are interested in applying or know someone who may be interested, the job will be posted publically starting in July on the Archdiocesan Website <http://archphila.org/employment/joblisting.pdf>. A sub-committee has been formed to help me with the hiring process. We anticipate hiring the new Director by summers end. I will inform you as soon as we have filled the position.

Once again, I am grateful to all of you for your support as we move forward in building our parish community. May our Lord continue to shower his choicest blessings upon you and your loved ones.

Reverend Monsignor Joseph P. Gentili