



## Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Pastoral Council



### Seeking additional members through an upcoming “SELECTION PROCESS”

#### What is the Pastoral Council?

It is the visioning and planning body of the Parish, and is advisory in nature. It carries out this task in collaboration and cooperation with the Pastor, who has the final say in all matters. It does not deal with finances. The members need to be rooted in prayer, open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, committed on a monthly basis to patient listening, and study and working to “recommend” to the Pastor plans and directions which will enhance the quality of Parish life and promote Parish vitality.

#### Who is Eligible?

For a parishioner to be given “Selection” consideration, he/she should:

- Be a baptized, practicing Catholic
- Have been a registered member of the Parish for at least three years
- Be a participant in the ongoing life of the Parish, especially Sunday Eucharist
- Be at least 18 years of age or older

In addition, he/she should possess the following characteristics:

- A desire for spiritual growth in oneself and in the Parish
- A willingness to listen to the needs of the parishioners, to speak honestly, to work toward consensus
- The ability to inspire and empower others and to delegate
- An availability of time and energy

#### How and When?

The “Selection Process” will begin this weekend, **May 31st/June 1st** and conclude **June 7th/8th**. Parishioners may obtain “Identification Forms” at all Masses on those weekends. There will be boxes at the doors of the Church to deposit these forms which suggest an individual that they feel should be considered for this leadership ministry.

All members of the Parish are asked to pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit during the “Selection Process” so that new members with the necessary gifts will be identified and selected.