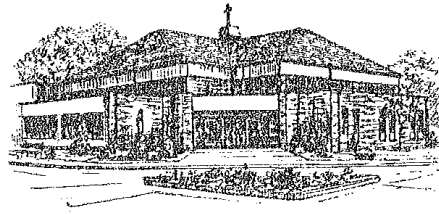


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Update on Pastoral Planning Area (PPA) 110

Pastors and Representatives from each of the six parishes in our pastoral planning area (PPA 110) met on November 20, 2013.

The purpose of the meeting was two-fold:

- ✓ **to educate and provide information about the current state of affairs in 3 of the 6 parishes - Our Lady of Grace Parish, Saint Frances Cabrini, and Saint Michael the Archangel Parish**
- ✓ **to enable all involved to ask questions, which will help them in their discernment process and final merger recommendations**

The other 3 parishes - - Queen of the Universe Parish, Saint Joseph the Worker Parish and Immaculate Conception Parish made their presentations at the previous meeting.

The presentations noted the strengths, weaknesses, assets, needs, and challenges of the respective parishes. Reflection on the following questions prompted candid and constructive dialogue by all:

- ✓ ***What are the key indicators of success in what is present in your parish?***
- ✓ ***How could your sharing them increase the potential for evangelization?***
- ✓ ***How can these help strengthen a newly established faith community?***

PPA Representatives listened attentively for available resources that can benefit the Church in this entire area as well as concerns that can challenge the Church in the PPA.

Pastors and Representatives are praying and reflecting asking the Holy Spirit to guide their discernment in making recommendations concerning Parish mergers and restructuring within PPA 110.