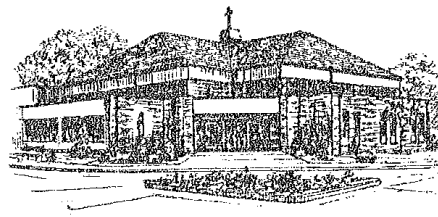


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Update on Pastoral Planning Area (PPA) 110

Pastors and Representatives from each of the six parishes in our pastoral planning area (PPA 110) met on November 6, 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 - Queen of the Universe Parish, Saint Joseph the Worker Parish and Immaculate Conception Parish
- ✓ to enable all involved to ask questions, which will help them in their discernment process and final merger recommendations

The other 3 parishes - Our Lady of Grace Parish, Saint Frances Cabrini, and Saint Michael the Archangel Parish - will make their presentations at the next meeting on November 20th.

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?*

In addition, facilities reports were delivered to each parish for review. Each pastor received the full copy for his parish; and each representative received a copy of the report summaries for every parish. October counts recently tabulated by each parish were also handed out.

Pastors and representatives were encouraged to ask for additional resources as needed to help them in the process; and they were reminded that they have the Archdiocese's full support.