

Clustering Information

Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Anne

Information Communication Meetings are designed for parishioners of both Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Anne to come together to talk openly about hopes, benefits, and fears of working together during the clustering process. There will be three in all and each session will rotate between both parishes.

TOPIC: "Why Clustering?"

WHEN: Monday, February 25, 2008

WHERE: St. Anne Church

TIME: 7:00pm-8:00pm refreshments to follow

All Parishioners are Encouraged to Attend!

A Glossary of Terms that will be used by staff & parish councils during our clustering process

PARISH: a stable community of the faithful established within a diocese by the bishop.

CLUSTER: two or more parishes served by a single pastoral leader. Each parish maintains its own identity. A cluster should be in the process of forming one parish.

PLANNING GROUP: a group of parishes in a geographic area working together for the common benefit of all the parishes involved.

PASTOR: A priest assigned to lead a parish.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR: a religious or lay person assigned to lead a parish.

SACRAMENTAL MINISTER: a priest assigned to a parish to provide the sacraments without administrative authority.

PAROCHIAL VICAR: a priest assigned to a parish to aid the pastor or pastoral administrator.

EXTERN PRIEST: a priest from another diocese assigned by his bishop to serve within the Rochester Diocese. Such a priest could be called back to his home diocese.

ORDER PRIEST: a priest vowed to an order (such as Jesuit, Franciscan, Dominican, etc.) who, although in the diocese with the bishop's permission, is under the care of the leader of the order.

LAY MINISTER: an un-ordained person working or volunteering in a parish ministry.

CANONICAL: relating to canon law (the law of the Church)

Please fill out this form and return in the collection basket or to the Parish office by Sunday, February 17, 2008.

What Questions or Concerns do you have about Clustering?
