



Dear Friends,

On the weekend of June 21-22, our parish community will elect four parishioners, for a two-year term, to the Parish Council.

The Council is a very important ministry in our parish and a support to me in my ministry of leadership. It determines priorities and directions of the parish. For effective leadership on the Parish Council, members need to:

- Be a “Big Picture” person, serving the “larger picture” of the parish and participating in the on-going unfolding of that vision.
- Be able to honor the many faces of families in our parish.
- Listen, discern, plan, implement, evaluate and collaborate.
- Be baptized and a registered member of the Catholic Community of Pleasanton, worshipping and ministering with the community regularly.
- Be at least seventeen years of age by June 21, 2008.

I ask those parishioners wishing to run for the Parish Council to pick up a form in the vestibule or parish offices. Completed nomination forms may be mailed or delivered to the Rectory at St. Augustine no later than **8:00 PM, Monday, June 9, 2008**. In addition, those submitting their nominations are also requested to submit a photograph and a statement of no more than 125

words. The statement should include your reason for running, your background, your qualifications etc. Both the picture and the statement from each of the nominees will be distributed to the parish weekend June 14-15. I will plan a short meeting with each nominee upon receipt of the nomination form.

A Parish Council member must be able to attend two meetings per month, except during the summer, and serve on one of the Parish Council Committees: Facilities, Finance, Spiritual Life and Social Justice/Outreach or Evangelization.

I invite those interested in this leadership ministry to spend some time in prayer and reflection on these words from the “Ten Essentials of Parish Life”, published by the Diocesan Office for Pastoral Planning.

“We believe that these two councils (Parish Council and Finance Council) are important consultative bodies for the pastor. We count on these councils to play a greater leadership role in the parish of the future. We do not see the pastoral council as directing the administration of the parish but as a guide for the parish in collaboration with the pastor and pastoral staff. The task of this leadership body is 1) to explore pastoral issues, 2) to study and reflect on them, and 3) to make recommendations to the pastor. Its valued purpose is to be advisory; its focus is to envision the future of the parish and to plan for practical direction.”

Let us continue to pray for our parish leadership.

Fr. Padraig

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Team 1A – Scheduled for May 31 & June 1
Team 2A – Scheduled for June 7 & 8



OFFICE HOURS



In observance of **Memorial Day**, St. Augustine’s Rectory and the office at St. Elizabeth Seton will be closed on **Monday, May 26**.

YOUNG ADULTS

Join us **Tuesday, May 27, at 7:30 PM** in the café at **Barnes & Noble** at Hacienda Crossings Dublin. We will use the Sunday readings as a basis for our discussion. We are single and married young people in our 20s and 30s who get together for fellowship and faith discussion Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. We focus on enabling young Catholics to discuss subjects that affect their faith journey in a socially-inviting, small-group setting. For more details, please contact Mark Rogers at (925) 548-3739 or email mjrexer@yahoo.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Let Us Remember Them

Please join us and invite your friends in remembering our loved ones. Mass will be celebrated on **Monday May 26 at St. Augustine Cemetery at 10:00 AM.**

At the **5:00 PM mass on Saturday, May 31**, Dave Scimeca will be awarded the Diocesan Medal of Merit for his years of leadership, and the Bingo volunteers will receive a Special Blessing.

Farewell

After the **12 noon Mass on June 22**, we will gather for a reception in St Augustine Hall to express our gratitude to Jim Silva, Andrea Giovannoni, Anna Adams, and Sandi Wilson for their years of ministry in our parish. Please plan to attend.

Cathedral of Christ the Light Tour

Fr. Paul Minnihan has planned a tour of the new Cathedral on **Saturday, May 31 at 10:00 AM** for those parishioners who recently attended the Information Evening.

EVENING OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Fr. Padraig will lead an **Evening of Prayer and Reflection on Tuesday, May 27 from 7:30 to 9:30 PM** concluding with Benediction. All parishioners are invited, especially those who participate in weekly Eucharistic Adoration.

There has been a request to extend Eucharistic Adoration to three afternoons per week. This will be possible only if we can increase the number of people willing to commit an hour a week.

Come and join in prayer on Tuesdays.

COMMUNICATIONS

Fr. Padraig and the Parish Council are exploring the possibility of forming a committee or asking an individual to coordinate various CCOP communications activities. These include the weekly bulletins, parish directory, parish website, distribution of publications, promotion of programs and special events, and contacts with the Catholic Voice and media in general. A background in journalism would be helpful. If you are interested in this area, please contact John Duddy, Parish Council Chair, at (925) 485-1565 or by email to j.duddy@comcast.net.

CCOP PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

We want to honor our parishioners serving in the military in our pictorial directory. Please send a picture in dress uniform and attach a note with name and instructions where we can return the picture to: Marcia Berardi P.O. Box 10926, Pleasanton, CA 94588. We need to receive these photos by **June 27, 2008.**



515 families have signed up to have their picture taken for the upcoming CCOP Church Directory. Thanks to all the families that have signed up via the online schedule or visited our sign-up tables following last weekend's masses. The next sign-up weekends are May 31 and June 1 at both St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth Seton. Please note, the on-line schedule page is down during weekend sign-ups. We do not want to double book a time slot!

We need **you** to make our upcoming 2008 Parish Pictorial Directory complete! You will be photographed, view your images, and select your directory pose in **one** trip. Every family receives a **free** 8 x 10 portrait and a free directory for participating. There is no sitting fee and there is no cost to the church. You will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits at competitive prices if you choose.

Portrait locations and dates are as follows:

St. Augustine Church

Rooms 17 and 18

June 17 – 21 ♦ June 30 – July 3 ♦ July 16 – 19

St. Elizabeth Seton

Rooms A and B

June 23 - 28

Go online www.catholicsofpleasanton.org and click the Portrait Sign Up link, email our Directory Coordinator at esther@edirectories.biz or call Esther at 510-381-0168.

DAILY ROSARY



The Rosary is recited before the **8:30 AM mass at St. Augustine Church** (Monday through Saturday) and **after the 12:10 PM Mass at St. Elizabeth Seton** (Monday through Friday).
