

# Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Council

## Code of Canon Law

### A) **Definition of a parish** (Canon 515):

“A parish is a definite community of the Christian faithful established on a stable basis within a particular church (diocese); the pastoral care of the parish is entrusted to a pastor as its own shepherd under the authority of the diocesan bishop.”

### B) **Establishment of parish pastoral councils** (Canon 536):

“A pastoral council is to be established in each parish; the pastor presides over it, and through it the Christian faithful along with those who share in the pastoral care of the parish in virtue of their office give their help in fostering pastoral activity.”

The following members of our parish have been selected for membership on the pastoral council by their respective ministerial clusters:

### Pastoral Council - June, 2008

<b>Worship:</b>	<b>Evangelization:</b>	<b>Service:</b>
Richard Banasiak - 3 yr term Tracey Foley, Secretary - 4 yr term Margaret Lewis - 3 yr term John Ponterio - Chairman, 4 yr term	Carol Rizzo - 4 yr term Lee Gillingham - 3 yr term Maritza Franco - 3 yr term Peter Nizner - 3 yr term Louise Timko - 4 yr term	Kathy Mitchell, Vice-chairwoman - 3 yr term Chris Haight - 3 yr term Jeanne Cleary - 4 yr term John Abreu - 4 yr term

The group will meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.

### C) **Finance Council** (Canon 537):

“Each parish is to have a finance council which is regulated by universal law as well as by norms issued by the diocesan bishop. In this council the Christian faithful, selected according to the same norms, aid the pastor in the administration of the parish good.”

The following members of our parish have graciously accepted my invitation to serve as members of the finance council:

Donard Gaynor Lee Gillingham	Tracey Foley Paul Cassidy
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