

# One In Faith ACC Communication



The Diocese has provided design parameters for the pastoral planning process, but **NO DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE** concerning affects to the One In Faith ACC. The team wants your input! Please plan to attend the Listening Session at your parish. If the date at your parish doesn't work, you are welcome to join any of the other scheduled sessions.

A listening session is a respectful gathering where individuals are invited to share their thoughts and concerns, while others listen without interruption or judgment. The goal is not to debate or solve problems immediately, but to create a safe space for honest expression and mutual understanding. Facilitators ensure that all voices are heard and valued. By fostering deep listening, these sessions help build trust, uncover shared values, and inform future decisions or actions within a community.

## \*LISTENING SESSION SCHEDULE\*

- ◆ Monday, July 7 at 7PM at Sacred Heart, Freeport, in the church basement
- ◆ Monday, July 7 at 7PM at St. Michael, Spring Hill, in the church basement
- ◆ Tuesday, July 8 at 7PM at St. John the Baptist, Meire Grove, in the church basement
- ◆ Tuesday, July 8 at 7PM at St. Rose of Lima, St. Rose, in the church basement
- ◆ Wednesday, July 9 at 7PM at St. Mary, Melrose, in the gathering space
- ◆ Thursday, July 10 at 7PM at Immaculate Conception, New Munich, in the church basement
- ◆ Thursday, July 10 at 7PM at St. Andrew, Greenwald, in the school basement

Please visit <https://stcdio.org/all-things-new/> to educate yourself on these realities and learn more about the planning process.

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## Design Parameters for the Pastoral Plan created by the Diocese of St. Cloud

### Accessibility to Sunday Mass (includes Saturday evening vigil)

- ◆ 80 % of the faithful must have access to a Sunday Mass within a 20-minute drive.
- ◆ No rotation of Mass schedules between churches.

### Budgeted Ministries

- ◆ One administrative office per ACC if under 3000 households.
- ◆ Liturgical Ministries.
- ◆ Formation Ministries: Children - Youth – Adult.
- ◆ Hispanic ministries with 10% of the total census population.
- ◆ Pastoral Care.
- ◆ Social Outreach.

### Pastors/Priests

- ◆ Limit of three Sunday Masses per weekend/priest not including weddings/funerals.
- ◆ Pastors will spend at least 50% of their time in pastoral ministry.
- ◆ Desire to live in community within ACC will be considered.

### Buildings

- ◆ Overall facility usage must average 50% occupancy or higher for all weekend liturgies in the ACC.
- ◆ Buildings must be physically accessible, hospitable and safe.
  - ◇ Restrooms in church building.
  - ◇ Church building is either one level or has access to an existing elevator.
- ◆ ACC plan must specify how empty buildings will be repurposed or relegated for secular but not unbecoming use ideally within five years.

### Governance

- ◆ Reduce the number of parish corporations.
- ◆ Potential Worship Sites – Primary Church, Partner Church.

### Finances

- ◆ Each finance council will approve an attainable and reasonable annual balanced budget.
- ◆ Parish investment in Catholic school may not exceed 40% of plate/envelope within five years.
- ◆ Routine building operations may not exceed 25% of plate/envelope.

### Timeline

- ◆ July 2025 Local Planning Phase: Each ACC will develop a plan, based on common parameters set by the bishop and present it to diocesan leadership for support and approval. Draft due by Dec. 31, 2025.
- ◆ January 2026 Implementation Phase Begins: ACCs begin implementing the changes outlined in the approved plans. Length and timing may vary from ACC to ACC based on local circumstances.