



Parish Family Advisory Council

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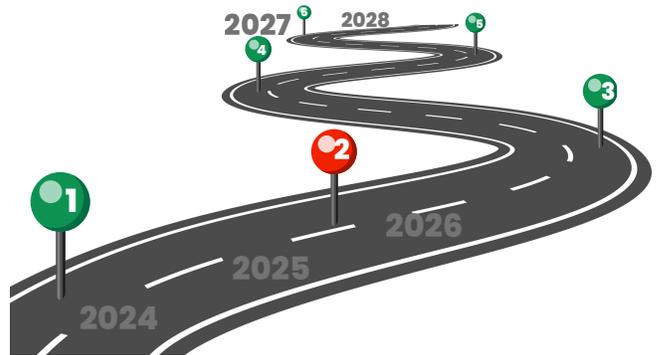
Current Work

Currently, PFAC is tasked with getting to better know our Parish Family. Our October meeting included a retreat to make sure our work is grounded in prayer. Using the feedback from the Spring Listening Sessions, our group used Spirit-led discernment to learn about our wider community. On Saturday, November 1st, we all climbed into the parish van and toured all four campuses, taking some time to pray in our sanctuaries, listening to parish histories, checking out the boilers, and more! At our meeting on the 13th, we will look at statistics from the Annual Report, Facilities Assessments, demographics from our database and the federal census. We are assigned with creating a useful summary to distribute to the wider community ahead of our next round of listening sessions after the new year.



Our PFAC on the bus to tour our four campuses (front to back): (left side) Deacon Steve, Karla Bocek, David Okada, Jim Dean, Brenda Fackler (right side) David Coffey, Carmen Bendixen, Peter Heymann, Sara Cotto, Polly Young, Wendy Kristek. Sharon Spence-Wilcox was present, but not pictured.

Where Are We?



We are in **Stage 2** of our Parish Planning Process. This means we have taken some time to get to know one another and are now diving deep into **“Who Are We?”** In the new year we will hold a round of listening sessions to ask what each of us sees as our challenges and opportunities as four historic communities coming together as one Parish.

In **Stage 3 “Who Do We Want To Become?”** the PFAC will do significant work creating a vision statement with a draft of initiatives on which to take action. These initiatives will be presented to the entire community for input.

In **Stage 4 “How Do We Get There?”** the PFAC will propose specific steps to realize the vision and will include multiple opportunities for community feedback and involvement.

In **Stages 5 and 6** the PFAC will create a final report, for the Archdiocese of Seattle (ADS). Following their review, we will begin to live into our plan.

We do not know how long this process will take. The ADS suggests 2027 as the earliest final report submission date, but it is open ended. The ADS is currently working through guidelines for inclusion of schools within the Partners in the Gospel process.

QUESTIONS?

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