

Did you know that the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is engaged in a strategic planning process? The planning process was launched in February 2009. Decisions regarding changes to parishes and schools will be announced at Masses the weekend of October 16th and 17th, 2010. Although the changes will be challenging, they are necessary to ensure the health of our Archdiocese for us now and for generations to come. While it is true that these changes are triggered by economic and demographic factors, the main goal of the planning process is to foster a revitalized and sustainable local Church, our Archdiocese.

Over the past year, planning task force members have considered the input of thousands of parish and Catholic school leaders and staff, parishioners, pastors, and others. While the input gathering phase of the planning process has come to a close, your prayers and your feedback are always appreciated.

You may submit comments and find out more about the archdiocesan planning process by visiting <http://planning.archspm.org/>. You may also leave a comment on the planning process voicemail hotline at (651) 291-4435.

“Christmas in July” Update

Yes, Christmas continues to happen at MHT!

This past Thursday, we received an anonymous donation of a 32” flat screen TV for the parish office. We are very excited and thankful to receive this TV, as it will allow Fr. Brian, Deacon Jim and staff to show videos or DVDs for Marriage prep, RCIA and Staff Development. This is perfect timing - as we are ready to begin the new programs for the coming year. Many thanks to our anonymous giver! Also received: a bathroom ventilation fan for parish office. Thank you!

This is what remains on our list:

- A new or used dehumidifier for the basement of the parish office (\$250-\$300);
- Trinity Room Sofa (we have a \$100 donation toward the sofa);
- A new laptop for parish presentations (\$400);
- Blinds for the Liturgy Office (\$50);
- Fold-up Picnic Table (\$114);
- North and West drywells (approximately \$40,000);
- Contributions to the St. Louis Fund – the need has been great!
- New outside doors (\$15,000)

Receiving calls and gifts are so exciting! This reminds me of the beginning of school year when we opened the boxes with the new school supplies! It was just like Christmas!

God Bless each and every one of you for your generosity to MHT!

Sherrie Schroeder



Did you receive a Vision Newsletter?

Did you receive a 6-Month Financial Statement? Did you receive your weekly envelopes? If not, you may not be on our register! Perhaps you moved and forgot to update us. Please call the Parish Office if you have any changes to your address, phone number, email or other important information that we need in order to keep you informed!

You are Invited

On Monday evenings during Adoration, there are two couples from our parish who say the Rosary at 7:30 p.m., and they would like to invite others to join them for this beautiful prayer. For security reasons, you will need to go to the north doors (#6) and ring the doorbell. There is no commitment, just an opportunity to say the rosary. They have found this time to be rewarding and they thought that others might want to join them.



MASS OF THANKSGIVING AND REMEMBRANCE

**Saturday,
September 11 at 10 am**

at the Cathedral of Saint Paul. Mass will be celebrated at **10:00 AM** by Auxiliary Bishop Lee A. Piché. A short reception will follow.

Sponsored by the Galtier Society, an association of Catholic professionals in the Twin Cities, and the Archdiocesan Office for Marriage, Family & Life.

LITURGY NEWS

LECTORS

This year, in order to offer you more formation opportunities for your ministry, we would like to hold a monthly practicum session for those scheduled for the following month. (e.g. a session at the end of September for those scheduled as Lector in October) This is an opportunity for you to hone your skills, to get feedback from other Lectors, and perhaps gain more insight into the scripture readings that you will proclaim. Suggestions are welcome. One possibility is the last Tuesday of the month in the early evening. September's would be on the 28th, for example. Your input is needed. Please contact Joel Fischer.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Our first Ministry Workshop will take place on **Sunday, September 12th after the 8AM Mass** in the church. This session will be for Eucharistic Ministers only. We will gather for some reflection on your ministry, some practical matters, and a review of the Archdiocesan guidelines for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Please plan to attend this session. If you cannot attend, please contact Joel Fischer.

GREETERS

Our second Ministry Workshop will take place on Sunday, **September 26th after the 8AM Mass** in the church. This session will be for Greeters only. We will gather for some reflection on your ministry, some practical matters, and a visioning session about the Greeter ministry at MHT. Please plan to attend this session. If you cannot attend, please contact Joel Fischer.