

St. Joseph Catholic Church Nomination Form for Parish Council Membership

You are invited to nominate yourself or another parishioner for the position of PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBER for a 3-year term of service.

Scope and Nature of Position:

By offering advice and consultation, the Council assists the Pastor in his decisions concerning matters of parish life. The Council, through prayerful consultation and dialog, and under the direction of the Pastor, articulates the parish's mission, vision, and goals, and assists in overseeing the programs and organizations designed to pursue them. *See the reverse for general description.*

Eligibility/Qualification:

A fully initiated Catholic and an active and responsible member of the parish community. Ability to collaborate, sense of stewardship and desire to serve the church, look to the future, and have an interest in ongoing formation and evangelization. Parish employees and their family members may not serve. Husbands/wives, siblings, or parent/child may not serve together.

Name of nominee: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Brief Bio: _____

My vision for the future of the parish is: _____

*** Please place the completed form in the collection basket,
return to the office or email admin@stjoeedgerton.org ***

Council Member General Responsibilities

The Council engages in a continuous process of pastoral planning based upon the needs of parishioners, the needs of the diocese, and an authentic Catholic understanding of the mission of the Church.

1. The pastoral activity of the parish in which the Council assists the pastor includes, but is not limited to, the following areas:
 - A. Encouraging active participation in parish prayer and liturgies.
 - B. Promoting catechesis and evangelization for parishioners of all ages.
 - C. Fostering Catholic family life.
 - D. Encouraging community outreach.
 - E. Encouraging the performance of spiritual and corporal works of mercy.
 - F. Strengthening relationships with the diocesan Bishop and Church
2. The responsibilities of the Council under the direction of the Pastor and in cooperation with the parish staff include:
 - A. Discerning the strengths and needs of the parish community.
 - B. Developing, maintaining and communicating to parishioners a parish mission statement.
 - C. Engaging in ongoing strategic planning.
 - D. Assisting in the establishment of pastoral goals, priorities, and action plans for the parish.
 - E. Assisting in the formation of parish policies concerning pastoral matters.
 - F. Fostering communication, cooperation, consideration, and coordination among the different parish entities in order to become a more unified congregation.
 - G. Evaluating programs and processes.