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Dear Parishioners –

We have all seen how the strength of our parish is rooted in the people who make it a gathering of community and faith. While a small parish, St. Teresa of Avila has achieved a great deal and has set even greater goals for ourselves in the months and years ahead. As we've grown, we've been blessed to have had the energy and talent of volunteers who contribute to liturgy, community outreach, fundraising, the finance and parish councils, and dozens of other ministries that have made such a difference to so many in need.

As we move forward with our many initiatives for 2014 and beyond, we have come to realize the need for a ministry organization that could outline the many committees and working groups that are actively engaged in the good work of our parish. To that end, we have developed a ministry organizational chart to help guide our activities and investments so that our efforts can have an even greater impact on our mission. And it is already having an impact on how we are working together in an integrated fashion with the parish staff, finance council and parish council.

While there are many involved in parish activities, there is still a need for others to contribute their time, ideas, and energy. Many of you have shared your interest to get involved in some way with the work of our parish and now a good time to step into an area that interests you most. I promise that you will have a positive impact on the work we do and on the people we serve.

Please take the opportunity to look over our ministry leadership chart on the cover of this bulletin to see if there is a group for which you would like to volunteer. Let that group leader know of your interest or any questions you have about what may be involved. We'd love to have you join up.

Together, we can realize our vision for making St. Teresa of Avila a great parish for the next 125 years and a continued blessing to those we serve.

Blessings,

Fr Frank

Fr. Frank Pastor