

2017 Parish Pastoral Council Candidates Information

Sat & Sun, May 13th & 14th 2016 (3 positions)

- :- Number of years at Sacred Heart and which Mass normally attended?***
- :- Participation in Parish life?***
- :- Why I want to be on the Parish Pastoral Council?***

Felicia Brailey



My name is Felicia Brailey my family and I moved to Victoria nine years ago from the island of Trinidad and Tobago. I've been married for 21 years to my husband, Stephen. We have three kids, my step-son Jonathan and my two daughters Katherine and Faith. My family and I attend the 10am Mass on Sunday mornings. We've been members of Sacred Heart Parish since 2008, both my girls received their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion at this parish.

I am also a member of the choir, my youngest daughter and I usher at least once a month on Sunday mornings and we, also as a family help with Faith Formation as Floor managers and Faith, my youngest, volunteers with the kindergarten class.

If I am elected as a member of the council, it would give me an opportunity to serve and share His Word and because of the love I have for Him, the church and you, the parishioners of Sacred Heart.

Mark Manalo



My wife, Rhea and I have been coming to Sacred Heart Parish for about three years now. We attend the Saturday 5pm Mass and sometimes, Sunday 10am Mass.

We contribute our talents by our participation in Flower Arrangement Ministry and we participate in some other activities, as well. Being members in the Couples for Christ Ministry, we are currently facilitating the Christian Life Program held in Sacred Heart's Pope John Hall every Friday night.

We can be a big help in terms of pastoral planning, taking an active role by inviting young couples and youth to discover joyous union with the church.

Jeff Kucharski



My wife Hideko and I moved from Japan in September 2016 and joined Sacred Heart parish in October. We attend the 10:00 Mass. Hideko is a member of the choir and she volunteers, along with me in the Pastoral Care ministry. I am also a member of Saint Vincent de Paul Society at Sacred Heart. I volunteer every week at the Social Concerns Office in downtown Victoria on the front desk.

My experience in parish administration includes being a member of the parish council at St. Viator Kitashirakawa parish in Kyoto, Japan. While in Japan I also volunteered at Hope House Catholic Charity which distributes meals to seniors who are homebound. Before moving to Japan, we lived in Edmonton Alberta where I was a member of St. Vincent DePaul and did home visits there. I also volunteered at the Marian Centre serving meals to the poor. Before I retired, I was a senior public servant with about 26 years of experience and worked with many large and small organizations.

I would like to think that I can help provide the parish council with a broad, long-term perspective with some insights from the other organizations that I have had the privilege of leading or participating in. With the grace of the Holy Spirit I would like to support our parish members and our pastor to the best of my ability by working with the other council members to deal with the opportunities and challenges the parish faces while attempting to discern God's purpose and will for our collective efforts.

Matthew Eric Moodie



Sacred Heart Church has been a part of my life since before I was a twinkle in my parent's eye. For over two decades Sacred Heart has been encoded into my soul, as I received four sacraments from Baptism to Confirmation. Since age six, I have been alter serving and finding new ways to serve the community.

I have participated as well as led Summer Camps, was an Assistant Youth Group Leader, and a Knight of Columbus. I have also played my alto saxophone for CWL and Knight functions, participated in Family Nights and came to just about every potluck that there ever was at the Parish Hall. Now that I am a post-secondary student, I am also involved with the Catholic Christian Outreach and the Catholic Student Association.

When I was young, I used to dance in the pews, but now I want to boogie on up to a seat on the Parish Pastoral Council. A vote for Matthew Moodie is a vote for a young adult's perspective.

Oscar Perez de Tagle



Dr. Oscar is a lifetime Catholic, hailing from the Philippines, married to wife Belle for 47 years, with 2 grown children & families, all Sacred Heart parishioners since 2010, usually attends the 10:00am Sunday mass.

Dr. Oscar has an Economics Ph.D. & worked as Intl. Consultant with UN & WB in many developing countries. He is currently serving as Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council & past member of St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish Council.

Dr. Oscar is currently taking the Diocesan Pastoral Care Outreach Training Program & would like to use his organizational & lecturing skills for the parish by conducting workshops and in fundraising & program delivery areas.

Natalia Zapotoczny



I have been at Sacred Heart with my family for about the last 24 years - since I was born. Growing up, my family and I attended the Polish Mass at 12:30pm and my parents still go, I began attending the 8:30am as I came into my adult faith.

I have been a proclaimer at the 8:30 am mass since January 2017, and am looking into other ministries. I also look forward to providing first aid, as a trained medical first responder, at the upcoming Diocesan Youth Conference this May.

I want to join the PPC to become more involved with the parish, and to see what perspective I can add to the current conversation. I come to the table with an open heart, and a willingness to learn and serve.

If you wish to vote, but WILL NOT be attending Mass here on May 13 & 14, we encourage you to place your choice candidate's name in a sealed envelope and mail or drop it off at the office during the week.

The vote count will take place on Sunday, May 14th after the 10:00am Mass.

Thank you