

A message from Bryan Spaeth, Parish Council

Hello parishioners, I have been a member of St. Norbert College Parish for 18 years and a current member of the Parish Council. On behalf of the Parish and Finance Councils I'd like to take a brief moment to reflect on where we, as a parish, have been, where we are and where we are heading. As most of you remember, in the not too distant past, this unique parish community was facing a number of crossroads that would determine whether or not we would remain a parish, whether or not we would sustain our own faith formation programming, etc. Thankfully, through the leadership and determination of many of our members, the Norbertine Community (especially our College of Chaplains...Fr. Jay, Fr. Andrew and Fr. Mike) and now Deacon Kevin, we are still here today on this vibrant campus and in this beautiful place of worship as a thriving and growing parish of our own! It is through this leadership that we have been able to rebuild and revitalize our own adult and youth faith formation programming and continue to be stewards in our community through prayer, service, and sharing through many ministries.

As of December, our parish has welcomed 36 new families this year, which speaks to the tremendous momentum that is building here! Parish leadership meets with new families and shares our Membership Credo, which focuses on four key tenets...Worship, Grow, Connect & Serve. I share this with you, because as a member for the last 18 years, as I read through this I also felt as though it was a good reminder to reflect on what this parish provides to me and my family and to focus on what we as a

family do and could do more of for this parish.

I'm asking that all our members read through our membership credo and reflect in your own way as to what this parish provides and what you provide to the parish in terms of Worshiping here, Growing in your faith, Connecting with others, and Serving others.

Within the Membership Credo outline you will also find a pledge form for 2018 that will help us update records and helps us for budgeting purposes. As a tithing parish we budget to give 10% of our operating revenue to outreach. The more information that we have ahead of time, the more responsive we can be to requests and asks of us. Please fill out this form and return to us by the end of the year. We have the information available through a pamphlet available at church, or for those more technologically advanced, click on the Membership Credo and Pledge button below.

Thank you very much and let's continue this great momentum that is building and let's Worship, Grow, Connect and Serve...together! - Bryan