

## NOMINATION FOR PARISH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

For many years, our Parish Finance Council has not only helped draft an annual budget, review monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, and annual reports, offered guidance to the pastor and direction for our parish financial resources, it has also served in the capacity of Development Committee—helping determine our parish needs and then planning on how we can meet those needs—including developing capital campaigns and offertory campaigns. And they have done an excellent job! As we are now “catching our breath” with no new capital campaign on the horizon, and having recently completed the offertory increase campaign, it seems a good time to separate the two tasks of the Finance Committee—leaving them responsible for the management of the budget and the regular review of the various financial reports, and creating a new committee or council whose purpose would be to consider the development needs of the parish and how they can be met.

This new Development Council would review all requests from parish and outside groups who would like to raise funds from the parishioners and determine which of these many requests reflect the parish vision and mission and deserve our attention, and which are not really appropriate for us at this time. The Development Council would also review the present and anticipated financial needs of the parish and how those can best be addressed (e.g. offertory programs, capital campaigns, parish fund-raisers, etc.)

If you are interested in this kind of ministry for St. Gertrude, or if you want to recommend someone you think would be a good candidate for the Development Council, please call the Rectory at 773.764.3621, email Father Rich at rprendergast@stgertrudechicago.org, or speak with him after Mass. If you would like to recommend yourself or another parishioner, you can also fill out the form below and turn it in to the Rectory or drop it in the collection basket.

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\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in the newly forming Parish Development Council. Please contact me about this new ministry.

*Or*

\_\_\_\_\_ I nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
for the newly forming Parish Development Council. I (*please circle one*): have/have not spoken  
with this person about this nomination.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please drop the completed form in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory.)*