

When one pastor leaves and another comes to a parish,

it is important that there is smooth transition. For this purpose, a Transition Team has been formed by Fr. Mitchell with the assistance of the Office of Vicar for Clergy in the Chancery. This bulletin announcement is to inform the parish of what is happening, what the goals and purposes of the team are, who is on the team and other pertinent information. Here are some commonly asked questions about transitions:

What is a transition team? The transition team is a group of parishioners from various groups, councils, staff and other organizations that are representative of the different ages, backgrounds and involvement of the parish.

Who decides who is on the team? Fr. Mitchell, in conversation with parish leadership, asked the individuals to participate on the team.

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What are the responsibilities of the team?

- Ensure regular communication with the parish during the transition process, including the consultative groups, staff and parish at large.
- Serve as resource to parish leaders by monitoring stages of transition and recommending strategies and resources for appropriate responses.
- Assist the community in their awareness of God's presence during this time of transition.
- Assist the parish in understanding that transition is a process with many feelings and responses depending on the individuals and the groups. Transition involves openness to change while valuing the cherished memories of the past.
- Assist the parish in planning the farewell activities and saying goodbye to the outgoing pastor
- Assist the parish in planning the welcoming activities and meeting the new pastor.
- Assist the pastor during the first few months by helping to provide ways and resources for getting the new pastor acquainted with the parish, people, programs and processes.

Transition Calendar

Fri	1-Jun		Parish Staff luncheon/meet-and-greet with Fr. Mark Kiszewski	
Fri	15-Jun		Welcome packet mailed to Fr. Mark by Transition Team	
Sat	16-Jun		Fr. Mitchell's 39th Anniversary of Ordination	
Sun	17-Jun	Evening	Priest Days at Ocean Shores begins. This is the annual 3-day meeting for archdiocesan priests. <i>Carpet cleaning, deep cleaning, and paint touchups at rectory this week</i>	
Sat/Sun	23/24-Jun		Fr. Mitchell off for weekend after 9am Mass <i>Unbound Ministry scheduled for the weekend Masses</i>	
Wed	27-Jun	TBD	Fr. Mark's moving truck arrives with furniture	
Sat	30-Jun	6:00 PM	Wine and Cheese Farewell for Fr. Mitchell, Conger Hall following Mass	
Sun	1-Jul	9:00 AM & 11:00 AM	Coffee and Donuts for Fr. Mitchell, Conger Hall following each Mass	
		3:00 PM	Fr. Mark takes up residence on Bainbridge Island	
Mon	2-Jul	9:00 AM	Fr. Mark's first Mass at St. Cecilia	
Tues	3-Jul		<i>Fr. Mark's day off will be Tuesday</i>	
Wed	4-Jul	9:00 AM	Fr. Mark, Daily Mass	
Thurs	5-Jul	9:00 AM	Fr. Mark, Daily Mass	
Fri	6-Jul	9:00 AM	Fr. Mark, Daily Mass	
Sat	7-Jul	5:00 PM	Fr. Mark's 1st weekend Welcome in Conger Hall following Mass	
Sun	8-Jul	8:00 AM & 10:00 AM	Fr. Mark's 1st weekend Welcome in Conger Hall following Masses	



Sunday July 22, 11:30 AM
**Annual Parish Picnic, Faith Center
 Courtyard. Details to follow in the
 coming weeks!**

