



**PARTNERS
IN THE GOSPEL**

UPDATE

An update for parishes and parishioners on Partners in the Gospel



Current Reality Report

To help people better understand the urgent need for change, we issued the Current Reality Report last month. This report provides a snapshot of data trends across the Archdiocese of Seattle and forecasts expected changes in the future.

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“What’s the best use of our resources, our faith resources, our financial resources, and especially our human resources for proclaiming the Gospel?”

– Archbishop Etienne



Father Mike McDermott from St. Charles Borromeo in Tacoma shares his perspective about Partners in the Gospel. Watch in [English](#) or with [Spanish](#) subtitles.



Priest Days

This June, the priests continued their parish family consultation process at Priest Days. They reviewed the new maps and potential parish families based on the feedback they provided at the May 3 gathering. Together they prayed and discussed:

- the overall process
- additional changes for the potential parish family configurations
- the importance of lay leaders and staff
- how to remain centered on mission throughout this process

Mark your calendars!

- August** – Consultation with deacons, parish and school staff, and Chancery.
- Sept. 23 – Oct. 14** – Consultation with the faithful. Parishes will host sessions for input and feedback on the draft parish family configurations.
- November** – Oversight and Presbyteral Council will review all feedback and provide their recommendations to Archbishop Etienne for his discernment.
- Early 2024** – Final parish family plan will be released.
- July 2024** – Parish families, under the leadership of one pastor, will begin.

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