PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL

One Parish Plan: What should we be called?

Document E3A: Community Review Listening Session

Event Hosts: PFAC/PFLT or pastoral leader | Audience: Parishioners

Proposed process

Hold a community-wide discussion, facilitated by the pastoral leader and the Parish Family Advisory Council, for the questions in this section. Provide the proposed list of names and the prompt in advance, asking everyone to pray about their responses. Hold the naming session in a synodal fashion, gathering into small groups and allowing each person to share without interruption. Be sure to assign a notetaker and follow the process described in the Facilitator/Planning Guide.

At the end of the session, ask the notetakers to combine what they heard into formal responses for each question, serving as the voice of the group. Share these summary responses with the Parish Family Advisory Council who will be responsible for reviewing the input and creating the final list of 5-7 proposed names to include in the One Parish Plan.

Proposed Agenda (1 hour)

- Opening prayer (10 minutes)
- Process overview (5 minutes)
- Question (5 minutes)
- Small group listening (~30 minutes — full walkthrough on next pages)
- Concluding prayer (10 minutes)

Questions to Ask

1. Based on my experience in the parish family, what proposed new parish names resonate with me? How do these names reflect the discussions we have had leading up to today?