DEANERY COUNCILS

1. The deanery council shall be the body wherein representatives from each parish in each deanery come together to promote greater understanding and cooperation through exchange of ideas and resources pertaining to the pastoral life of the Church and the mission of the people of God in Western Kentucky. The pastor and the parish pastoral council of each parish appoint one lay representative to serve on the deanery council.

2. Specifically, the competence of the deanery council shall extend to all matters of pastoral concern within the parishes of the particular deanery, including those matters which should be brought to the attention of the diocesan pastoral council and the diocesan bishop. The deanery council members report from the parish pastoral council to the deanery council and from the deanery council to the parish pastoral council.

3. The deanery council shall elect from its membership two persons to serve as deanery representative so the diocesan pastoral council in accord with election processes of the diocesan pastoral council statues. The diocesan pastoral council representatives from the deanery council report from the deanery council to the diocesan pastoral council and from the diocesan pastoral council to the deanery council.

4. The deanery council shall recommend deanery membership to other diocesan committees.