

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILS AND PARISH FINANCE COUNCILS

- 1. Every parish must have a parish pastoral council. (c. 536)
- 2. Every parish must have a finance council as a coordinating committee of the parish pastoral council or as a subcommittee of the parish administration committee. (c. 537)
- 3. A pastor may not disband the pastoral or finance council without the permission of the bishop.
- 4. At least two-thirds of council membership must be lay and not more than 25% of the parish pastoral council can be appointed by the pastor.
- 5. Members must be registered and active members of the parish.
- 6. Each council must have its own statutes (constitution).
- 7. Members are to be elected/appointed for a particular term, determined by the council statutes.
- 8. Meetings will be held at least quarterly and Minutes kept on file in parish archives.
- 9. In addition to the finance committee (subcommittee), there must be at least three other coordinating committees: worship, education, social concerns. These four committees may be called by the above names or they may be called by similar names; e.g., administration instead of finance.
- 10. The school board will function as a subcommittee of the education committee.