



Practical Approach to Parish Pastoral Councils

Saturday, January 21, 2017
9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Presented by Dr. Mark F. Fischer

Did you ever wonder what Pastoral Councils do?

Catholic pastors consult pastoral councils in order to be better leaders. Bishops and priests ask their councilors to investigate some aspect of the church, reflect on it, and recommend their conclusions. In brief, the work of the pastoral council is pastoral planning – not managing committees.

Pastoral councils were first recommended in Vatican II's "Decree on the Pastoral Office of Bishops." They exist in three-fourths of the 18,000 Catholic parishes in the USA. Yet even today, almost fifty years after Vatican II, the debate about the nature of the pastoral council still continues. People discuss what councils do, how they do it, and the motive for putting their gifts at the service of the Church.

WHERE?

At St. Edward's in Clifton Park, 569 Clifton Park Center Road
with virtual classrooms at several locations

- St. Patrick's in Catskill, 66 William Street
- St. Francis de Sales in Herkimer, 219 N. Bellinger Street
- St. Mary's in Oneonta, 39 Walnut Street
- Our Lady of the Annunciation in Queensbury, 448 Aviation Road



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There is no fee, but registration is required as lunch will be served

Please register by Friday, January 6, 2017