

Thank you, Outgoing PPC Members

Mary Kay Reynolds completed two terms and is not eligible to run. Wayne Velishek has chosen not to run for a second term. We thank both of them for their dedication. Many Thanks to **Denise Flicek** and **Mark Lessman** for agreeing to fill the two spots and serve their parish on the Parish Pastoral Council for the next three years.

Meet Our New PPC Members



Denise Flicek - I started attending St. Patrick's Church over 30 years ago when I met my husband, Duane, who lived in Shieldsville and was a member here. Duane and I are celebrating our 30th anniversary this summer and have three children. Tanner is 26 and lives in Faribault. He spends his time with his girlfriend, Stacy and his Lab Retriever puppy, Vader. Autumn is 23 and had a very busy year after starting a new job, getting married to Saul last summer, recently buying a house in Wyoming, MN and caring for her German Shepherd, Lola. Much of my time this past year has been spent with my youngest, Brooke, who is 17 and will be a Senior this fall as we've been researching and visiting colleges in preparation for her future. I have worked at Carleton College as an Applications Support Specialist for 14 years and prior to that for 17 years at Travelers (formerly St. Paul Companies). In my spare time, I enjoy playing games, reading, watching the sports my kids have been involved in, getting together with friends and relaxing at our cabin north of Park Rapids, MN.

Faith, Family and Friends make me whole and because of that, it's important for me to volunteer where I am needed. At St. Patrick's I have been involved in Faith Formation for 14 years as Coordinator, Teaching, Protecting Child and Youth Initiative Instruction, assisting Brooke with her Preschool Sunday School class and coordinating Jesus Food and Food For Kidz efforts. I am also a member of the St. Patrick's Bell Choir, have chaired the dining room for the Fall Festival for so many years I've lost track and assisted in various capacities whenever needed. Outside of St. Patrick's, I have volunteered as a Girl Scout leader, on Lincoln PTO, Faribault Gymnastics Association board and Post Prom Committee co-chair.

The St. Patrick's Parish family is important to me and seeing new members and families believing in our church family is encouraging. I believe it is imperative to give back to our church family in order for our parish to strive and grow. Therefore, I would be honored to represent our congregation on the Parish Council so I can assist in efforts to make all of those things happen at St. Patrick's. I promise to listen to concerns brought to my attention with an open heart and to continually pray for the good of this parish family in any decisions asked of the council.

Mark Lessman - My name is Mark Lessman and I am a ^{member of} ~~candidate for~~ the Church of St. Patrick Parish Pastoral Council. My wife, Tammy, and I have been members of the Church of St. Patrick since 1998. Tammy and I have two adult children, Marci and Nina. I was an Automotive Instructor for Faribault Public Schools for 33 years and retired from teaching two years ago. The Church of St. Patrick community has given so much to my family and myself, and now I want to give back. I have the time to invest in the Parish Council and I hope I can represent our community of faith with the pride and dignity that has blessed this parish for over 100 years.

