

Area Catholic Community Planning Council

Our 3rd Area Catholic Community (**ACC**) Planning Council met on Wednesday, May 22nd. Each parish brought a list of their strengths, needs and opportunities for improvement within the “7 Elements of a Vibrant ACC”. During the next several meetings there will be open discussion on each of the elements, which are: WORD, WORSHIP, COMMUNITY, SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, STEWARDSHIP and EVANGELIZATION.

This week’s discussion focused on WORSHIP and seeking possible shared celebrations as opportunities to worship together. Our Faith Formation Leaders continue to seek ways for collaboration, and Bulletin Editors hope to have bulletins combined by January 1st of 2020.

The final topic of discussion was focused on finding a common identity for our Area Catholic Community. There were two suggestions brought to the table:

-**AAAMC** Catholic Community (acronym; St **A**nthony, **A**lbany, **A**von, St **M**artin and St **C**atherine).

-**Pax Christi** Catholic Community (Latin for **The Peace of Christ**: a core Benedictine Value which represents all of our Benedictine Parishes). Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 13th at 7pm.

The members of your ACC are:

Jim Rehkamp (SA)	Joe Adrian (SA)	Lisa Jensen (SA)	Charlene Lahr (SB)
Curt Thelen (SB)	Michelle Friedrichs (SB)	Mary Jo Schlick (SM)	Bob Kalthoff (SM)
Karen Pundsack (SM & SC)	Toni Hudock (SD)	Rod Gerads (SD)	Sheela Arceneau (SD)
Mark Knapp (MoM)	Maria Becker (HFS)	Fr Edward Vebelun	Fr Julius Beckermann
Fr Greg Miller	Rhonda Dingmann		