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Pastor's Column

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Pastoral Staff Changes

2014 is an historic year of ongoing development, growth, and change as our Parish moves from a one-building campus to a three-building campus.

Our new Permanent Church will definitely be a profound symbol of the vibrancy of our faith community.

This year we will not only see a change in physical structures, but also there will be some changes in our Pastoral Staff, along with the creation of a new Staff Position that will better serve our Parish as we move from one to three buildings.

Kathleen Bell, our Faith Formation Director, after fourteen years of service, has decided to retire. Debbie Fredette has accepted my request to become the new Faith Formation Director.

Natalie Provinse has accepted my request for her retirement so that we are able to create a new full-time staff position of Business Manager. Natalie has been with the Parish almost from the beginning and has served as Parish Secretary and then as Bookkeeper. Her willingness to retire so that this new Business Manager position could be created demonstrates her love for our Parish and her desire to support the common good of our Parish as we move into the future.

The Business Manager will assume all the bookkeeping responsibilities as well as overseeing the well-being of our three-building campus and all of the interdependent systems that will link the three buildings together. Deacon John Fredette has accepted my request to become St. Thomas More's first Business Manager.

With the recent resignation of Marcus Cabrera, our Youth Advocate, we will begin a new search process for a Youth Advocate. We will return to a part-time position for Youth Advocate.

All of these changes will become effective July 1, 2014, and these changes will not increase the present cost of staff salaries.

I ask that you continue to pray for our Parish, for the safety of all the workers constructing our buildings, and for our Pastoral Staff as we move through these changes.

F. Mike