

PASTOR'S COLUMN—MARCH 4, 2013

Dear Parishioners:

So here we are in the midst of transition in the Catholic Church with the retirement of Pope Benedict XVI. I give thanks for his years of service to the Church and pray for his peaceful retreating into a life of prayer for the Church.

We as the Body of Christ throughout the world are wise to pray for abundant wisdom among the conclave of 115 Cardinals so that God's Will be done in the light of the Holy Spirit. The key to the selection process is prayer and discernment for the Cardinals and the global Body of Christ is an important prayer support to the conclave.

Times of transition are opportunities for new life and the retirement of Pope Benedict has initiated a new-life process for the Catholic Church. Within a few weeks we should know the name of the new Pope. In the meantime, let us keep prayerful vigil with the Cardinals that the Holy Spirit shall prevail in the selection process.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry