

***As one Welcoming Eucharistic Community we are called to share our faith in Jesus Christ  
through catechesis, evangelization, and service.***

Dear Parishioners,

Beginning Saturday, January 25, through Tuesday, February 4, 2025, you may submit your recommendation for a new name for our parish. All are welcome and strongly encouraged to be involved in this process. Invoking the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may we each recommend a parish name that reflects the mission and vision of our new parish.

Please review the parameters for choosing a new parish name before submitting your recommendation:

Per Canon Law, after parishes are merged a new parish name must be chosen. The parameters for choosing a new parish name are:

1. the name of the Trinity, or
2. a name for Christ, invoked in the liturgy, or a mystery of his life, or
3. the name of the Holy Spirit, or
4. a name for Mary, invoked under a title for her used in the liturgy, or
5. the name of a holy angel, or
6. the name of a canonized saint, as it appears in the Roman martyrology (or appendix), or
7. the name of a blessed provided the Apostolic See has given its permission.

Annotated Code of Canon Law ¶1218 (commentary): "There must be only one title, with the exceptions of the Holy Trinity or of saints whose names are joined together in the calendar."

De Patronis constituendis (Sacra Congregatio Pro Culto Divino, 19 March 1973, n. 3): "There should be only one principal patron. However, when two or more saints are inscribed in the Roman Calendar together, they may together be chosen as the principal patrons (e.g., Saints Basil and Gregory or Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus of Bethany) (cf. *ibid.*, n. 5)."

Because Saint Ambrose and Saint Anne are not connected in the Tradition, they cannot be combined to create the name of the new parish.

The Diocese of Joliet requires that the new parish name must be unique among the names of parishes and churches that are in the diocese. Please see the other side of this sheet for a list of all parishes in the Diocese of Joliet. The names on this list CANNOT be considered for our new parish name.

After the survey results are evaluated and parish meetings are held, Father Anthony will present a short list of parish name recommendations to Bishop Hicks, who has the authority to make the final decision.

You may complete the survey online, in-person after weekend Masses in the classroom hallway, in-person at the parish office during normal office hours, or by calling the parish office during normal office hours.

When completing the survey, you will be asked to provide the following:

Are you a parishioner of St. Ambrose and St. Anne Parish? (optional)

What name do you recommend for the parish? (required)

Please provide a brief reason for the name you recommend. (required)

May the Holy Spirit guide us in this process.

God bless you,

*Deacon Dick, Deacon John, and the Unification Team*

**Parish Names in the Diocese of Joliet**

Ascension of Our Lord	St. Andrew Kim	St. Mary
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	St. Andrew the Apostle	St. Mary & Joseph
Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus	St. Ann	St. Mary Immaculate
Christ the King	St. Anne	St. Mary Magdalene
Christ the Servant	St. Anthony	St. Mary Mission
Corpus Christi	St. Bernard	St. Mary Nativity
Divine Mercy	St. Boniface	St. Mary of Gostyn
Divine Savior	St. Daniel the Prophet	St. Matthew
Holy Cross	St. Dennis	St. Michael
Holy Family	St. Dominic	St. Patrick
Holy Ghost	St. Edmund	St. Paul the Apostle
Holy Spirit Catholic Community	St. Elizabeth Seton	St. Peter
Holy Trinity	St. Francis of Assisi	St. Peter the Apostle
Immaculate Conception	St. Francis Xavier	St. Petronille
Immaculate Conception Mission	St. George	St. Philip the Apostle
Mary Queen of Heaven	St. Irene	St. Pius X
Maternity BVM	St. Isaac Jogues	St. Raphael
Notre Dame	St. Isidore	St. Rose of Lima
Our Lady of Korean Martyrs Mission	St. James the Apostle	St. Scholastica
Our Lady of Lourdes	St. Joan of Arc	St. Thomas the Apostle
Our Lady of Mercy	St. John Paul II	St. Walter
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	St. John the Apostle	Visitation
Our Lady of Peace	St. John the Baptist	
Our Mother of Good Counsel	St. John the Baptist Mission	
Queen of Apostles	St. John Vianney	
Queenship of Mary	St. Joseph	
Resurrection	St. Joseph Mission	
Sacred Heart	St. Jude	
Sacred Heart Mission	St. Lawrence	
Saints Peter & Paul	St. Liborius	
St. Alexander	St. Luke	
St. Alexis	St. Margaret Mary	
St. Ambrose	St. Mark	