

I talked with the Archdiocese last week and got the particulars of the Strategic planning meeting we will have on April 16th at 6 pm. It will be an informational only meeting. The Diocese will present how Strategic Planning works across the diocese and present some of our own personal data from here at our parishes. There will a period of time where we all break into small groups to discuss questions we have about the planning process, but no questions will be answered at this meeting. The diocese wants everyone to have an opportunity to have their questions answered. We will present a list of compiled questions at the end of the meeting and at a later time the diocese will answer all questions.

I have told the whole parish before that we had been invited by the Archbishop to begin the process and this is a process that we will continue to walk through together for an extended period of time. Our next steps are to attend the meeting so that we can all be adequately informed about what is going on. As I mentioned before there will be time for a gathering of questions at this meeting.

I know that there have been some rumors going around, but in truth we don't know what will come of this process. It is best to not play into our own fears especially during this holy time. Don't let the devil get the best of you by tempting you to go to worst case scenarios. I don't know what the Archbishop will ask of us but I do know that we will have the opportunity to work together and decide what best serves the mission of bringing the Gospel to North Everett. Whatever the Archbishop decides we will work together to make the most of it like the true Christian community that we are.

*Topic: Immaculate Conception/Our Lady of Perpetual Help All Parish Meeting
Time: Apr 16, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)*

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