

## Parish Council Nomination Letter

In the Gospel of Matthew 25:14-30, the parable of the talents holds many lessons, and although Matthew referred to money, one might consider “talents” as the gifts God has given us to use to the best of our ability. In our St. Francis of Assisi community, we thrive when the gifts of each of us are used in supporting each other on our faith journeys. The Parish Council is a group of parishioners who have offered their talents and time to help Fr. Augustine build a strong faith community. We currently have 4 positions available. Please understand that these are not meant for you to do the work alone but rather to coordinate the efforts of other parish volunteers. Please take a look at the work of these positions and if you are called to share your talents, please contact Council Chairperson Chris Eidt ([cjeidt@optonline.net](mailto:cjeidt@optonline.net)) or Council Volunteer Liaison Nancy Murgalo ([quiddity@optonline.net](mailto:quiddity@optonline.net)).

**Fundraising Liaison** – fundraising is crucial to the solvency of our parish. It allows us to provide faith formation, youth ministry, the upkeep of facilities, and continued outreach to the community. The Fundraising Liaison participates in recruiting and identifying parish member to lead and chair major fundraising activities. The Fundraising Liaison participates in planning meetings and reports to the Parish Council on major parish fundraising activities. ***If your talents are communication, planning and organizing, and encouraging others, please consider helping in this role.***

**Parish Events Liaison** – this role initiates and oversees major parish community-building and/or spiritual events that are not directed at raising funds for the parish. Events encourage community building and provide parishioners a chance to connect and enjoy time with one another. ***If your talents are creativity, innovation, and organizing others and you enjoy planning great parties, please consider this role.***

**Pre-School Liaison** – this role is for a parent of a child currently enrolled in the St. Francis of Assisi Pre-School program and who is a registered member of the parish. The Pre-School Liaison participates in major pre-school events and reports to the Parish Council on Pre-School activities. ***If your talents are communication and connecting groups into a cohesive whole, please consider this role.***

**Worship Ministry Head** – the mission of this position is to provide spirit-filled liturgies, celebrations and programs that unite, nourish and renew the faith of the parish. It is not for a specific amount of time, but at the mutual consent of the individual and the pastor. The Workshop Ministry Head communicates and coordinate liturgy-related activities with sub-ministry heads (Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Ushers, Altar Servers, Arts & Environment); and works with the pastor to implement Diocesan rules and guidelines for the celebration of Mass. ***If your talents are collaboration, communication, coordinating the work of others and you have a love of the Mass, please consider this role.***

Know that these Council positions do not require perfection...only faithfulness and a willingness to help. We hope you will consider being a part of this work.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Rev. Augustine Nguyen  
Pastor