

**Elizabeth, Glassport, South Allegheny Area Grouping #213**  
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**COMPLETING THE MERGER PROCESS GUIDELINES FOR THE JANUARY 2021 MERGERS**

JUNE, 2020	JUNE 20 – JULY 7, 2020	JULY 17, 2020	AUG, 2020	SEPT 1, 2020	SEPT 1 – SEPT 13, 2020	OCT 9, 2020	OCT 19, 2020	Nov 28/29, 2020 (TENTATIVE)	JAN 4, 2021 (TENTATIVE)
<p>Administrator, Clergy Team, Staff &amp; Advisory Councils meet with Parish Services to review the Completing the Merger Process.</p>	<p>Parishioners receive the 1<sup>st</sup> communication &amp; are invited to submit names for the new parish.</p>	<p>Administrator consults with Advisory Councils to submit 15 potential names for the new parish for the preliminary review by Bishop Zubik.</p>	<p>Administrator, Clergy Team, Staff &amp; Advisory Councils prepare the Virtual Parish Assembly. The 2<sup>nd</sup> communication is created for parishioners to offer final input on the new parish name &amp; feedback/questions on the assembly.</p>	<p>Parish posts Virtual Parish Assembly on YouTube &amp; the grouping website. The 2<sup>nd</sup> communication is sent to parishioners.</p>	<p>Parishioners submit final input on names for the new parish &amp; offer feedback/questions on the Virtual Parish Assembly.</p>	<p>Administrator submits Merger Documents to the Diocese.</p>	<p>Bishop Zubik consults with Priest Council to consider all mergers.</p>	<p>Bishop Zubik announces &amp; issues the Decree for the new parish.</p>	<p>New Parish begins.</p>