

# *Prayer Request*

This week we will begin a series of meetings throughout our Deanery (Rural North Central Deanery) to plan for the future. Specifically, our Deanery along with all 11 other Deaneries in the Archdiocese need to plan for how we will operate our parishes, and maintain a vibrant parish life, forming disciples with less Priests. Each Deanery is being asked to put together a plan to function with 2 less Priests.

You have been hearing petitions for this planning in our Sunday and Holy Day Masses during the Prayers of the Faithful. I ask that you also please pray this prayer daily for our planning. Thank You. Fr. Jim

Inspiring God,  
By the power of your Holy Spirit  
You guide us and strengthen us.  
We pray O Lord that the future we plan,  
Will be the future you promise us.

Enliven us with your Spirit;  
Keep us eager to accept the challenge of the Gospel,  
That our Parishes and Deanery may be a vibrant Church;  
Where you nourish and unite us through the Eucharist,  
We encounter Jesus in many ways and through many people;  
Especially through the Sacraments and the Proclamation  
of your Good News.  
We also pray that our Parishes form and equip us to be disciples  
and guide us in living, lives of mercy with and for each other.

Risen Lord,  
Guide us in our planning for the Rural North Central Deanery.  
We ask all this in your name, Jesus Christ our Savior.  
Amen.