

## **MEETINGS TO ANNOUNCE PARISH POSSIBILITIES IN THE LAKE COUNTRY/HOLY HILL AREA**

### **TIMELINE:**

#### **Thursday, January 25, 2018 at St. Mary of the Hill Parish, Hubertus**

- 3:00 pm – Meeting with Staffs from St. Teresa of Calcutta and St. Mary of the Hill. Bishop James Schuerman and Fr. Jude Peters will attend. (Bishop Schuerman is available for dinner at the monastery).
- 6:30 pm – Meeting with pastoral councils from St. Mary of the Hill and St. Teresa of Calcutta. Bishop Schuerman and Fr. Jude will be available.

#### **Saturday, January 27, 2018 and Sunday, January 28, 2018, all Masses at St. Charles, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and St. Mary of the Hill**

- Announcement will be read at all Masses, followed by opportunity to ask questions and share initial responses in the hall after Mass
- St. Teresa of Calcutta, North Lake site Mass times – 4:30 pm; 8:00 am; 9:30 am – Randy Nohl, Director of Synod Implementation will facilitate these listening sessions.
- St. Teresa of Calcutta, Monches site Mass time – 10:30 am – Mark Kemmeter will facilitate
- St. Mary of the Hill, Hubertus Mass times – 4:00 pm; 7:00 am; 9:30 am – Mark Kemmeter will facilitate

#### **Tuesday, January 30, 2018 and Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at St. Teresa of Calcutta, Monches site**

- 6:30 pm – Meetings to further discuss the possibilities and to share responses
- Mark Kemmeter will facilitate these sessions

## **ANNOUNCEMENT AT ALL MASSES**

St. Charles, Hartland (with brief modification)  
St. Teresa of Calcutta, North Lake and Monches  
St. Mary of the Hill, Hubertus

Earlier this month, Archbishop ListECKI appointed the pastor of St. Charles in Hartland to also become the pastor of St. Teresa of Calcutta, North Lake and Monches. This move has brought forth some possibilities involving St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, St. Mary of the Hill Parish in Hubertus, and the Carmelite Fathers at Holy Hill. Archbishop ListECKI has given his permission for the announcement of some possible future scenarios and for opportunities of further discussion and consultation to be provided.

What are these possibilities?

- Archbishop ListECKI has expressed a desire for the people of St. Mary of the Hill to have their own parish church. To construct such a church is a multi-million dollar undertaking.
- With the merger of the parishes in North Lake and Monches and the recent completion of an addition to the church at North Lake, St. Teresa of Calcutta's primary worship and parish space is at North Lake. Three Sunday Masses are celebrated at North Lake and one at Monches. The church, parish hall, offices and meeting rooms at Monches are only minimally needed and used. The church and parish site at Monches could be made available.
- The Carmelite Fathers have wanted a visitor center near Holy Hill and would like to move their development offices from rented space in Hartford closer to the shrine and monastery. The land where St. Mary of the Hill Parish is located was originally donated to the Archdiocese by the Carmelite Fathers. If St. Mary of the Hill parish were re-located, the current site could be used as a visitor center and development offices.

Here are the potential future scenarios to be considered:

- St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish is willing to donate its Monches site to St. Mary of the Hill parish for use as a parish church and ministry site.
- St. Mary of the Hill Parish could accept the site, begin providing sacramental assistance at the Monches site, and determine a timeline for a transition to the new permanent location of St. Mary of the Hill in Monches.
- St. Mary of the Hill Parish could donate their property back to the Carmelite Fathers at Holy Hill who could convert the site into a visitor center and offices.

Archbishop ListECKI views the potential scenarios as a win-win-win for St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. Mary of the Hill, and the Carmelite Fathers. However, we want to provide opportunities for further information and consultation.

(Omitted at St. Charles) Immediately after Mass, you are invited to the hall for a brief question & answer and listening session.

There will also be two hour-long meetings scheduled on Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>. Both meetings will be held in the hall at the Monches site.

The goal of all these gatherings is to provide as much information and opportunity for questions and comments to parishioners before any decisions are made by parish leadership. Keeping this time of consultation in your personal prayer will be greatly appreciated.