

**The Church of the Most Holy Trinity
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**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
CHURCH OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY PARISH COUNCIL
*AUGUST, 2013***

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the body established by this constitution shall be the **CHURCH OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY PARISH COUNCIL**.

1. **The Parish Council will serve as advisory board to the pastor to provide their input in the life of the parish.**

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

As a body of representatives of the people of God in the parish community, this Parish Council seeks:

1. To foster the unity of the parish.
2. To assess adequately, under the leadership of the Pastor, the spiritual and temporal needs of the parish.
3. To coordinate all parish activities in a manner that will serve the best interest of the parish.
4. To discern, develop and implement plans and programs that will promote parish unity and deepen Catholic identity.

ARTICLE III - PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

1. **The Parish Council shall consist of eight (8) elected members of the Church of the Most Holy Trinity who are actively participating in Time, Talent and Treasure. The eight (8) council members will be elected at-large with the approval of the pastor.**

ARTICLE IV - ELECTIONS AND OFFICES

1. All members of the Parish Council shall serve three-year terms commencing August 1st.
2. In its first meeting following the elections: **1. The Parish Council shall elect by majority vote from among its members a President, and a Vice-President or the pastor may select a President and/or Vice President at his discretion.**
3. Officers shall serve for a term of one (1) year. They will not be eligible to serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

1. The Parish Council shall meet regularly or meetings may be scheduled by the Pastor.
2. Membership in the Parish Council requires attendance at all meetings.
3. Severance: Any member of the Parish Council may resign by filing a written resignation.
4. All ministries of the Church of the Most Holy Trinity are asked to provide written (but pertinent) reports to the council at each meeting.