

## ***Please Ask Before You Act!***

There is a myth in parish administration that things slow down after the “program year” ends and that the summer months are filled with rest, reflection, and renewal. While the busy liturgical seasons may be behind us for this year, the *Season of Planning and Preparation* is on our doorstep!

As we settle into a less hectic liturgical calendar, the Staff, Vestry, and I are busy working on various projects and processes. We are revising and revamping many of our policies and procedures and ways of doing things in the hopes of ensuring greater consistency and clarity in the way we are organized at Holy Family.

For example, we are in the process of developing a different approach to how we care for our building and grounds. We are still in the early stages of this process but hope to slowly put new procedures into place. Other examples include organizing for receptions or special events at the parish.

The people at Holy Family have always been good about seeing something that needs to be done and then jumping in to do it. While this has been greatly appreciated over the years, as we go forward, we are asking you to “Ask Before you Act.” We need space to implement new ideas and also want to avoid possible miscommunication or duplication of work.

So, if you see something that needs to be done, and are willing to help, please *ask before you act!* Reach out to me or a staff member or a member of the Vestry, first. Let’s talk about it and make sure something isn’t already being planned or addressed.

Thank you!

*Fr Frank*