

# One In Faith ACC Communication

In December 2024, the Diocese of St. Cloud launched an All Things New Campaign to address the Current Reality:

- We must adapt to the changing demographics.
- Sacramental and Catholic household numbers have decreased since 2010.
- As stewards of God's gifts we must use them more effectively.
- Clergy, staff and laity are bearing a heavier administrative burden than in the past.
- The Diocese has 2 assignments that are not able to be filled for July 2025.



The pastors in each ACC were directed to appoint an All Things New Planning Committee. The committee has begun working in collaboration with the planning facilitator, diocesan staff, and community members, guided by the Holy Spirit, to understand the parameters put forth by the Diocese.

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The Diocese has made all of the information available on their website. Please visit <https://stcdio.org/all-things-new/> to educate yourself on the realities and the process. You can also go to <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/Ds3PGus/allthingsnewnewsletter> to sign up for the All Things New monthly newsletter. Locally, information and updates will be shared in the bulletin, on our parish web sites and social media as it becomes available.





## Timeline

- ♦ July 2025 Local Planning Phase: Each ACC will develop a plan, based on common parameters set by the bishop and present it to diocesan leadership for support and approval. Draft due by Dec. 31, 2025.
- ♦ January 2026 Implementation Phase Begins: ACCs begin implementing the changes outlined in the approved plans. Length and timing may vary from ACC to ACC based on local circumstances.

## Design Parameters for the Pastoral Plan created by the Diocese of St. Cloud

### Accessibility to Sunday Mass (includes Saturday evening vigil)

- ♦ 80 % of the faithful must have access to a Sunday Mass within a 20-minute drive.
- ♦ No rotation of Mass schedules between churches.

### Budgeted Ministries

- ♦ One administrative office per ACC if under 3000 households.
- ♦ Liturgical Ministries.
- ♦ Formation Ministries: Children - Youth – Adult.
- ♦ Hispanic ministries with 10% of the total census population.
- ♦ Pastoral Care.
- ♦ Social Outreach.

### Pastors/Priests

- ♦ Limit of three Sunday Masses per weekend/priest not including weddings/funerals.
- ♦ Pastors will spend at least 50% of their time in pastoral ministry.
- ♦ Desire to live in community within ACC will be considered.

### Buildings

- ♦ Overall facility usage must average 50% occupancy or higher for all weekend liturgies in the ACC.
- ♦ Buildings must be physically accessible, hospitable and safe.
  - ◊ Restrooms in church building.
  - ◊ Church building is either one level or has access to an existing elevator.
- ♦ ACC plan must specify how empty buildings will be repurposed or relegated for secular but not unbecoming use ideally within five years.

### Governance

- ♦ Reduce the number of parish corporations.
- ♦ Potential Worship Sites – Primary Church, Partner Church.

### Finances

- ♦ Each finance council will approve an attainable and reasonable annual balanced budget.
- ♦ Parish investment in Catholic school may not exceed 40% of plate/envelope within five years.
- ♦ Routine building operations may not exceed 25% of plate/envelope.