



Holy Spirit  
Catholic Community



## MESSAGE FROM PASTORAL COUNCIL

On behalf of Holy Spirit Catholic Community and the Pastoral Council, I would like to extend a warm welcome to Fr. Dennis Lewandowski, our new pastor.

Born and raised on the south side of Chicago, Fr. Dennis graduated from college and pursued a career in banking. After spending several years in finance, he decided to answer the call to serve the Lord rather than continue to serve the banking industry.

Fr. Dennis began his pastoral calling in Michigan where he was ordained in 1985. After spending time away from the Chicago area, he decided he wanted to be closer to his parents. He was incarnated into the Diocese of Joliet through Bishop Imesch.

Before coming to Holy Spirit Catholic Community, Fr. Dennis served as an associate at Ascension in Oakbrook Terrace, St. Joseph's in Bradley and St. Raphael's in Naperville.

In 1998, he accepted the challenge of building a new church when he was named pastor of Christ the Servant in Woodridge. After construction was completed, Fr. Dennis was transferred to the Plainfield/Joliet area to start yet another church in June, 2002, which was named St. Francis Xavier.

Building St. Francis Xavier was an even bigger challenge than building Christ the Servant because St. Francis Xavier was built from the ground up, whereas Christ the Servant was an offshoot from another parish.

Fr. Dennis comes to us with a wealth of experience and we look forward to many years of fruitful servant leadership.

I invite you to welcome and meet Fr. Dennis at receptions after all Masses on July 11-12 in the Gathering Place!

Matt Napoli  
President, Pastoral Council