

Diocese of San Diego

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

A PARISH is a grouping of the faithful set up within a diocese and entrusted to a pastor who associates with himself all its members in accomplishing their common mission. Although the parish faith community has temporal concerns, it gives priority to pastoral matters.

“The PASTOR is the proper shepherd of the parish to which he is assigned, exercising pastoral care in the community entrusted to him under the authority of the diocesan bishop, in whose ministry of Christ he has been called to share; in accord with the norm of law, he carries out for his community the duties of teaching, sanctifying and governing, with the cooperation of other presbyters and deacons and the assistance of lay members of the Christian faithful” (canon 519).

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Every parish in the Diocese of San Diego is to have a PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL as proposed by canon 536.

A Parish Pastoral Council, over which the pastor presides, is made up of Christian faithful who help in the pastoral aspects of parish life.

To set up and administer a Parish Pastoral Council, pastors should follow the Parish Pastoral Council Charter proposed by the diocese.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Every parish in the Diocese of San Diego is to have a PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL as required by canon 537.

A Parish Finance Council, over which the pastor presides, is made up of Christian faithful who help in the administration of the temporal aspects of parish life.

To set up and administer a Parish Finance Council, pastors should follow the Parish Finance Council Charter proposed by the diocese.