

How Shall We Name Our New Parish?

One of the first tasks entrusted to us is to name our newly formed parish. Although St. Richard and St. Bruno will retain their original names, the new unified parish is to receive a new name, and *you have the opportunity to participate in choosing the new name for our newly united Parish.*

The Process of Discerning a New Name

Since we want to have the new name for our united Parish by October 1, we will be discerning naming options in the coming weeks. The process for selecting a new name is as follows:

1. A Naming Committee has been formed with equal representation from each parish.
2. On the weekends of Aug. 21 & 22, Aug. 28 & 29 and Sept. 4 & 5, we will be accepting suggestions for the name of the newly united parish from parishioners of St. Bruno and St. Richard. You can write in your suggestion on the form below and drop it in the collection basket, drop it off at the St. Richard Parish office, or email your suggestion to stbruno@comcast.net. All suggestions must be received by Sunday, Sept. 5, 2021.
3. The Naming Committee will compile the ten most often suggested names that fit within the Guidelines (see below) and the rationale for each name.
4. All Parishioners will be given the opportunity to indicate their preference from the names compiled by the Naming Committee on a survey sheet at all the Masses on the weekends of Sept. 11 & 12 and Sept. 18 & 19.
5. The Naming Committee will tally the survey preferences and submit the top three to Cardinal Cupich for his consideration.
6. Cardinal Cupich, after consulting with the Episcopal Council, will make the final decision.

Guidelines for Names

1. Appropriate names for a new parish would be:
 - a title of Christ under a title already accepted in the liturgy or that speaks to a mystery in His life;
 - the Blessed Virgin Mary under a title already accepted in the liturgy;
 - the Holy Trinity;
 - the Holy Spirit;
 - one of the angels; or
 - a canonized saint.
2. The name cannot be currently used as the name of a parish, church, shrine, oratory, or school in the Archdiocese.
3. The name must have a recognized feast day.

God bless you!

Fr. Andrew

NEW PARISH NAME SUGGESTION FORM

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Mailing Address _____

I'm a parishioner at (*please circle one*): St. Richard St. Bruno

My suggestion for the name of our new parish is:

Please drop this form in collection basket or at the Parish Office no later than Sunday, Sept. 5.