

January 9, 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

“Without a vision, the people perish.” (Proverbs 29:18). The Bible tells us that God has a plan for us and that people like me are responsible for communicating that plan to the people and inspiring them to embrace it. I firmly believe God has a plan for us and so I have worked with parishioners for over a year to discern what that plan is and to write it down so it can guide us for the next five years.

I presented the plan to the parish at all the Masses this weekend and asked for your assistance. God’s plan is ambitious because I believe God has great things in mind for St. Ann’s, but I will need your help to make it a reality. I need **your** help!

Please review the plan that accompanies this letter and prayerfully consider how God is inviting you to help us implement one of His priorities. A card is included with the plan. I ask you and the other members of your household to volunteer your time and talents in implementing one part of our plan. Please return the card to me with your offer of service via the collection basket or by mailing it to the office or dropping it off.

Please volunteer now! Resist the temptation to place it aside and to come back to it later. God is moving us forward and I need your help **now** in creating the momentum we need to begin this great adventure. I hope I can count on your help.

Thanks for being part of our St. Ann family. May God bless you always!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Michael". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Sincerely,

Rev. Msgr. Michael G. Clay, D. Min.
Pastor