

Approximately two years ago, I was named pastor of the three parishes of Ascension, St. Albert and St. Charles. Together we would work as a Family of Parishes known as the Kettering Catholic Community. We have made a lot of progress in working together and we know there is a lot of work still to come.

As I have continued to evaluate where we have been and where we need to go on this Beacons of Light journey, it is time for a change in leadership.

After much prayer and discernment, and looking at what is best for our Family of Parishes, I have asked the Priests Personnel Board for a new assignment. A new pastor for the Kettering Catholic Community will lead us through the next years of strategic planning and continued development of shared ministries.

In the next few days, the priests of the Archdiocese will receive a notice of the Kettering Pastorate opening and will be able to express their interest in being our next leader.

The Priests Personnel Board, in conjunction with Archbishop Schnurr, will appoint a new Pastor this Spring with his assignment taking effect in July.

I will be with our Kettering Catholic Community until June. I will receive a new assignment this Spring which will begin this Summer.

Please keep me in your prayers as we move ahead in transitioning to a new pastor.

Sincerely,

Father Ed Pratt