

FAMILY OF PARISHES - AREAS OF CONCERN

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Areas of Concern:

- The four parishes that make up our Family of Parishes are not united.
- People are possessive of their own parishes, so they aren't that open to attending events at the other FOP parishes.
- Each parish still seems to want to do their own activities and use their own volunteers at their parish.
- Are there any repercussions from the AoD for the parishes that don't want to participate in the Family of Parishes? It's not fair that we're making an effort and other parishes get a free pass.
- Why wasn't St. Martin de Pores linked with the other Warren parishes? People aren't going to want to go to the other parishes because of the distance.
- Many parishioners still don't understand the concept of the Family of Parishes. They think the AoD is setting up parishes to close. It's a last resort to keep all the parishes afloat.
- Why aren't the Masses in our FOP staggered so if a priest gets sick one of the other pastors can cover for him?
- Everything is moving too slow in our Family of Parishes. There doesn't seem to be a lot of progress. What is really being accomplished?
- We should have held off on selecting the Directors until we have more direction on what each Director should be doing in our FOP to earn the \$5000 stipend each one receives.
- Some of the Directors don't seem to be doing anything new in their ministries to incorporate the FOP
- There's a lot of meetings where nothing seems to get accomplished.
- It was better when we had sister parishes or when we were clustered with another parish.