

Crescent Ministry Meeting
March 27, 2004

How We Got Here

Concern

- Effectiveness of standard planning process for 19th Ward, Center City East, and City West planning groups for PPNM2.
- E.g.: Five to ten year projection of five priests, not all Spanish proficient, assigned to area currently served by eleven priests.

Feb. 26, 2003 Priests Meeting with Bishop Clark

- Discussed urban ministry. Themes: presence, diversity/solidarity, mission to choir and unchurched, racism, process/leadership, spirituality.
- Outcome: Bill Pickett to work with priests to find more effective way to address pastoral planning and ministry issues.

May 22, 2003 Priests/Bill Pickett Meeting

- Agreed to work with outside facilitator to develop consensus set of principles for ministry in planning groups' area.
- Approach: three separate meetings – priests, staff reps, lay reps – followed by joint meeting.

Separate Meetings of Priests (8/11), Staff Reps (8/12), Lay Reps (8/27)

- Outcome: Wide-ranging discussions about process, values/principles and ministry. Notes distributed to full group.

October 25, 2003 Joint Meeting

- Goals:
 1. Consensus on principles for ministry
 2. Next steps
- Outcomes:
 1. Identified five priority areas future planning should address.
 2. Established committee to recommend next steps.

Next Steps Committee Meetings (Five)

- Developed recommendation for process for future planning.

March 27, 2004 Joint Meeting