

## PARISH COMMUNICATION

It is important that parishioners be informed of the 2010 Parish Pastoral Plan final proposals for their parish. **Parishes are expected to report back to the diocese the method they used to report the plan to parishioners.** A report form will be included in the Monthly Mailing.

Where significant change in the plan for a given parish has taken place, since the parish held its open parish meeting during Phase III of this planning process, the parish is expected to hold a second parish meeting to present and discuss the revised plan to members of the parish.

A summary of each regional plan will be published in the *Catholic Times* on May 22, 2011. A summary will also be posted on the web site [www.dio.org](http://www.dio.org). In addition, parish leaders should consider using some of the ideas on how to share the plan with members of the parish as outlined in the parish planning guidelines. The following are some examples:

### **Options for Parishioner Awareness**

There are many ways parish leaders can share information and raise parishioner awareness. The following is a list of possibilities:

**Homily** – Where appropriate given the readings of the day, share some ideas as part of the reflection on the scriptures.

**Bulletin Inserts** – Insert an information sheet or two concerning the final planning proposals.

**Open Parish Town Hall Meeting** – Invite parishioners to attend a special parish meeting. Present an overview of the final planning proposals.

**Media** – There will be stories and articles on the planning process in local newspapers and in the *Catholic Times*. You can call attention to these stories or make copies for distribution.

**Make Information Available** – Use the bulleting to inform people that the final planning proposal information has been received. Provide copies for distribution.

**NOTE: All materials from the 2010 Parish Pastoral Plan are available on the diocesan website: [www.dio.org](http://www.dio.org)**