



CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Candidates for Election

Parish Pastoral Council

2010 - 2011



Dee Dee Baur

While living in Owensboro, KY, my family and I frequently visited relatives in Louisville and began worshipping at Epiphany Parish in 1977. The Liturgy, music and welcoming parishioners nourished my faith life. By 1980 I knew that this was where I wanted to belong. Twenty-five years later my husband John and I realized our dream, retired to Louisville and joined the parish in January 2002. Soon afterwards our daughter and son-in-law also joined the parish; their two babies were baptized here and continue in faith formation. Our son, his wife and two children continue to reside in Owensboro. In 2006 the parish supported me through John's illness and death, joined our family in celebrating his funeral Mass, and has walked with me in my grief ever since.

Having been actively involved in St. Stephen Cathedral Parish for 34 years, I was eager to become active in my new parish. My involvements have included:

- Hunger and Poverty -- January 2002-present
- JustFaith -- formation, 2002-2003; co-facilitator, 2003-2006
- Neighborhood Visitor Program/Eastern Area Community Ministries Volunteer, 2002-2004; Staff member, 2004-2006
- Social Responsibility Steering Committee -- 2005-present
Co-chair and Representative to Parish Pastoral Council -- 2009-2010
- Backside Mission -- 2009-2010
- Easter Egg Hunt Committee -- 3 years as Easter Bunny (guess when?)

Putting my faith into action has always been at the heart of my spirituality, as it was modeled for me by my family and fostered throughout my 16 years in Catholic schools. Since 1995 I have been a professed member of the Secular Franciscan Order. Members are dedicated to the Church, living out the Gospel call to serve the poor and marginalized and to care for the Earth. Prayer and community are essential to sustain this commitment. I receive this support from the Community of Epiphany, my local Franciscan community, the Tiffin Franciscan Sisters, Epiphany SoulLife and the monthly prayer group that meets in my home.

The call came in the form of a nomination to this position. The willingness to accept followed a time of prayerful discernment. The desire to serve flows from gratitude for what this parish has meant to me over these past 33 years. The gifts I bring were fostered by many years of involvement in my previous parish, my experience at Epiphany as described above and by my professional career.

As founding Director of the Cathedral Preschool Ministry in Owensboro, I have experienced the process of envisioning, developing and bringing a project to fruition. In fourteen years we went from serving 40 students to 235 the year I retired. We served seven Catholic parishes and several other denominations. The skills I developed in that process will easily transfer to the Campaign for Hope, in which we envision a new gathering space, raise funds and provide needed facilities. Having served this past year on the PPC I can offer continuity at this important time of growth and development, as well as a deep desire to further serve the parish.



Connie Fowler

Following our son's graduation from a neighboring parish in 1989, a question came up during Sunday Mass. The family asked, "Why are we here? We could be next door at Epiphany." We joined Epiphany that week...21 years ago...and have never looked back!

Parish Service 2009-2010

- Parish Pastoral Council Alternate
- Pacesetters Committee for the Building a Future of Hope Campaign
- Community Care Committee- create Healing Blankets, attend retreats and provide transportation for parishioners to Mass and medical appointments
- Bereavement Committee-deliver flowers and prepare food
- Backside/Trackside Ministry- serve meals and provide childcare
- Women of Epiphany member

Previous Service

- Community Care Coordinator-scheduled transportation needs and organized Christmas caroling and chili suppers
- Eucharistic Minister at Eden Brook (now Sunrise Nursing Home) and Frazier Rehab
- Hospitality Minister
- Co-leader, Renew group
- Donor to Red Cross Bloodmobile

Alan and I have been married 23 years. We are blessed with four children and 10 grandchildren. We live in Gardiner Park where I serve on the Management Committee and Chair the Communications Committee and Neighborhood Block Watch program.

I retired in 2007 from a rewarding 23-year career as a professional economic developer serving in leadership positions with chambers of commerce and local, state and regional governments in

Kentucky and Indiana. I am not a “retiring” person and remain active taking yoga classes, walking daily, gardening, traveling and working as a part-time tour guide for Visitours, a local destination management company. I am a graduate of the University of Oklahoma Economic Development Institute, St. Joseph Infirmary School of X-ray Technology (R.T), Assumption High School and St. Raphael School.

I will bring my life’s experiences, leadership and communication skills to the PPC. Since serving, observing and learning as an alternate this past year, I am ready, willing and eager to be an elected member of the Parish Council! I am a team player and will work with others fairly and respectfully to achieve consensus on parish issues. Through the years, I have developed a stronger commitment and desire to serve others with compassion and to make a deeper commitment to my faith community, Epiphany.



Kermit Scarlott

Tell Us Something About Your Membership at Epiphany.

- Joined Epiphany in 2002
- Attended as a member all Sages Meeting
- Contributes financially to Epiphany & time to Epiphany functions
- Assisted in clean-up of the grounds

Tell Us Something You Would Like Other Community Member to Know About You as We Choose the Next Members of the Parish Pastoral Council.

- Proving excellent leadership
- Good organizational skills
- Personality enjoyed by others
- Catholic background
- Very creative
- Behavior methods easily recognized

Say Something About the Gifts you Would Bring to Epiphany’s Parish Pastoral Council and Why You Feel You are Being Called to This Ministry.

- Leadership organization
- Motivation – enthusiasm
- I want to contribute myself to this great parish and more to God



Tony Raley

We were referred to Epiphany in 1986 when we moved to Louisville from Owensboro. We formally joined the parish in 1988.

We have raised 2 children at Epiphany. They have been baptized, received their First Eucharist and First Penance and their Confirmation at Epiphany. My wife, Lisa and I are active in several venues at Epiphany.

We have assisted with the baptismal ministry, collection counters and various activities throughout the year. I am a regular minister of the cup & plate, a lector and an acolyte. We have also participated in various charitable activities with our children.

I am like many of you. My first focus is to raise a loving, happy family raised in the Catholic tradition with morals and values to be lived by throughout our lives. I work in a profession where I help others with their businesses and strive to offer the best solutions possible in every situation. It is my belief that the only way to succeed in life is to help others achieve.

I believe I am a very good listener! I don't believe any single person has all the answers nor do I believe my position is always the right one. It is only by working together that we can all succeed and create a happy and involved family parish here at Epiphany.



Chuck Sgro

The Sgro family joined The Church of the Epiphany when we first moved to Louisville in 1973. We moved away for six years and returned in 1997. We have been members for a total of thirty years! Lectoring has always given me a way to demonstrate my spirituality by breaking open the Word and sharing it with the Community. I served as the Lector Coordinator for Epiphany for over twenty years. Responsibilities included recruiting, training and scheduling readers for our weekly celebrations.

I served on the State YMCA Board from 1983 to 1988 and on the Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville Board from 1999 to 2007 and again from 2008 and currently. As an active volunteer for Habitat for Humanity for the past thirteen years I have come to know both as a group member and as an individual what it means to serve and give back to this Community. I have developed team of over 50 outstanding volunteers that volunteer their time and talents building homes. As a House Leader my responsibility is to recruit, mentor, train, schedule, lead and continue to nurture this incredible team. For the past five years we have built over 10 houses a year including trips to the Hurricane torn cities along the Gulf Coast. I have volunteered, or been the House Leader on all but one of Epiphany's homes.

I am currently completing my second year as a member of the PPC. I have served on the Executive Committee both years first as the Associate Vice-Chair and currently as your Chairman. This year has been incredible, we have dealt with some very difficult issues all the while maintaining a very positive approach and giving everyone the opportunity to express their ideas feelings and hopes. We all have listened respectfully, stayed open to all of the possibilities

and continually searched for and reached the best of all decisions through consensus. Epiphany continues to face some very daunting challenges from the proposed Liturgical changes to increased involvement of the many talented women in our Community. I am eligible for another two-year term on the Parish Pastoral Council. I know I can serve you by helping lead us through this very important time in our history, and pledge to continue to do so with the utmost integrity, sensitivity and care.



Greg Tichenor

I was a parishioner of Epiphany in first grade. I've been active in sharing my gifts with the community for the past eight years. Much of my volunteering time until four years ago was centered on Habitat for Humanity. I was a regular volunteer for 'Chuck's Team.' I've been active member of the Undoing Racism committee since 2006 and the chair for the past two and a half years. I've been a member of the Social Responsibility Steering Committee for the last year. I've served as adult volunteer to the youth group for the past three and a half years. I've been a member of the Space Arrangers for two years. I've served as a Minister of Hospitality for three years and a Eucharistic Minister for one.

I received a Bachelor's of Science in Business Economics from the University of Louisville in 2002 and am completing now a Master of Arts in Teaching degree at Bellarmine University. I enjoy golf, swimming, softball, tennis, and shooting pool. My new year's resolution is to smile more.

Service for others has become central to my life. I am excited about the opportunity to serve on the Parish Pastoral Council and believe I can add a unique perspective for the decision-making process. I am a hard worker and creative thinker. I will be graduating from Bellarmine this May and feel this is a good time for me to serve the parish in this capacity if given the opportunity.