2010/11 Parish Pastoral Council nominees for At-Large members

Kevin Aylward

I'm Kevin Aylward. My wife and I joined the Community of St Malachi back in 1977, looking for a parish with more lay involvement than our local parish was able to provide. We've raised our three children here (our youngest is now 21). We've been active in Christian Formation, Community Council (several terms, one as vice-chair), and in the music ministry. I'm hoping now to be able to continue this positive activity with the new Parish Council, knowing that this first year of the new parish will set the tone for many years to come. I bring the strength of being able to listen to several viewpoints, and then with prayerful deliberation, make decisions with a group that we can all perceive as Christ's direction.



Jeff Barbalics

I have been involved in church activities and committees since I was a high school student, through college and have been active in parish activities at multiple parishes since my time after graduation. I met my wife, Meg, serving the Monday Night Meal in 2001, and we continue to contribute to that Ministry on a weekly basis. I believe that an and I would hope that I could make a contribution in the continuing health



and growth of the parish if elected as an 'At-Large' member of the St. Malachi Parish Council

Peter Chengelis

I have been coming to St. Malachi for just over a year. Although it is a comparatively short time - St. Malachi already feels like home. While my involvement has been fairly limited - I live in the neighborhood, and have participated in a number of St. Malachi events and ministries. Before coming to Cleveland, I worked for over a year with a church in Tucson, Arizona, which served the Native American population, as a



volunteer missionary. As such, I became deeply familiar with the both the behind the scenes workings of the Church - and the various public ministries. I know how difficult change can be, but I am truly excited about the prospects for our combined Parish. I believe this merger is an opportunity to grow as a faith community, and to better serve those in need, and I look forward to being a part of it.

Cathy Graham

I have been a member of the worship community at St. Malachi's since I moved to Cleveland in 1991. It took me quite a while to truly become active in with the Church. My first exposure to "organized" Malachi's was as a volunteer at St. Malachi Center. Over the years I have been involved with a number of commissions. I was active in the Social



Action Commission and Hospitality and helped plan a number of events. I currently am a Eucharistic Minister and teach third grade Christian Formation. Family is the focus of my life right now and I would be honored to serve my Malachi family in this way. I feel that the gift I bring to council is my ability to connect people. I know many people from all four masses in addition to many people from the wider community St. Malachi serves.

Cathy Jacobs

St. Malachi's has been at the center of my life for many years: as a member of the Community from 1974-84 & '95-present, and the place of my wedding, 3 children's baptisms and 2 weddings, and my husband, Bill's, funeral. In the past I've served on the Community Council, Spiritual Development and Social Action Committees, and currently serve as a lector and Eucharistic Minister. I bring history,



good listening and conflict resolution skills (as a mental health nurse and therapist), patience, and most importantly, a strong belief in the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives. I want to see us continue to celebrate His presence in our liturgies and live His message in our ministries to each other and the poor. I would like to serve on this first Council in our new Parish.

Dave Kennard

My name is Dave Kennard, husband of Linda, father of Bryan and Geoff. I have been at St. Malachy's since the mid eighties. In the past I have found myself involved in Baptism instruction, Christian Formation, Boy Scouts, Cantoring, and most recently Interim Parish Pastoral Council. My concern is that we do not get too comfortable as Christians, but that we continue to look for ways to do the work of "the



Kingdom"; to love and serve those around us whether at home, school, work, play or church. God has been gracious to us in drawing us to Himself, and we need to spread the Love.

Meg Kilbane-Barbalics

Saint Malachi's has been a part of my life in very significant ways. I would be honored and happy to serve the parish that has given me such joy and comfort. God asks of us to witness and testify to the gift of love he has given us, to feed his sheep. I do love the Lord and want to express this through service and sharing and see being a part of the Council as one way to do this. In being a part of St. Malachi's



I have volunteered at the Monday Night Meal and as one of the many blessings that has stemmed from that experience I met my husband. I want to give back to this Church and serve in the faith that has been passed down to me through both my parents, both were part of the crusillo movement and grew deep in their walk of faith despite troubled times. I want to be a part of something meaningful and worthwhile and continue to grow and share in my journey of faith. Thank you for considering me for this exciting opportunity!

Mark Laskey

I have been a member of St. Malachi's Parish for over thirty years. I am the immediate past secretary of the Parish Council and a long-time lector and Eucharistic Minister. My wife (Terry) and I were married here and both our children were baptized at St. Malachi. Our daughter, Katie, is serving in the Peace Corps and our son, Jack, is a senior at Ohio University. We love to travel and visit with family and friends and for fun I research and play various traditional styles of folk music.



Colleen McClinden

I have been an active member of St. Malachi ever since I was born. I have served regularly and occasionally sung at Masses, and have attended and participated in Christian Formation from the beginning. Last year, I served on Parish Council and the Liturgy Planning committee, and I would love the opportunity to bring fresh insight into the new parish by becoming a member of the new Parish Council. I believe that diversity is a good thing, and think that as a young person, I will be able to offer insight in the meetings that can make St. Malachi vibrant and prepared to move forward as a new Church with energy and excitement. I look forward to being a member of the new Parish Council team. Thank you.



Joe Nagel

I have been a member of the Parish for approximately ten years. My wife and I have been active as Eucharistic Ministers, as collection counters, and with the Soup for the Soul Benefit. I joined the previous Parish Council in 2007, and continued as a member of the current Interim Parish Council which was formed at the time of the merger in November of 2009. I also serve on the Near West Side Pastoral Plan Team (Cluster Team). As a New Parish Council forms, I believe that I



could provide some continuity from the "Old Council" to the "New Council" during this time of transition.

Mark Santana

I have been at St Malachi parish for several years. I have served as Eucharistic minister serving the Saturday 4:30 PM mass. I am also a lector. I have been active on the parish reverse raffle committee and on other non-church related organizations. I would bring knowledge of engineering and the organizational skills that come with the job. I am willing to work for the benefit of the new parish and will represent the parishioners' interests in achieving our goals and ideals.



Bernie Santana

St. Malachi parish has been my home and family for several years. I have been active on the parish reverse raffle committee, and am a Eucharistic minister serving the Saturday 4:30 PM mass. I have participated on several other non-church committees and would bring my experience to the parish council. I am willing to work for the benefit of the new parish and will represent the parishioners' interests in achieving our goals and ideals.



Bill Schubmehl

Participant in the St. Malachi community since 1970. 23 years married to Janelle. Retired high school teacher. Previous and current Service to St. Malachi: Past: Council Member, Membership and Adult Ed Committees. Current: Lector, Resurrection Choir, Sex Abuse Task Force. Strong belief in the principles and practices of Vatican II. We must emphasize a basic principle of Vatican II, that WE are the Church, not the structure.



Bob Simoneau

I have served St. Malachi in many ways over the years; most recently as Treasurer of the Community for 3-1/2 years until the merger was completed. Presently I serve on the Parish Finance Council. I also served on the Community Vibrant Parish Life Committee that led to forming the Cluster Team and then represented the Community on the Cluster Team. My goal in serving on the parish Council is work to make our merged parish even better than the strong parishes that came together to form it.



Taylor Slivka

My name is Taylor Slivka. Since joining St. Malachi, I have been overwhelmed by all the good it brings to the people and community around it. I am interested in being part of council because I believe I have many talents to bring to the council and St. Malachi parish. As an adolescent, I have a diverse and fresh perspective on the church and what we can do together to help the community. I look forward to helping St. Malachi grow together and to strengthening a new, wonderful parish.



Dorothy Weathers

I have been a member of St. Malachi Parish for a number of years. I have had the privilege of serving as a Reading Buddy and mentor at St. Malachi Center. I was on the Clustering Committee-Liturgy. I have been a member of the Parish Council and I volunteer at the Monday Night Meal. I also have been a member of the Soup For the Soul Benefit, one of the main fundraisers for the Center. I had the honor of serving as the Co-Chair. I would bring to the Parish Council the ability to listen to the concerns of our Parish members.



Lou Keim

I have been an active member of the Community of St. Malachi for several years and served as co-chair of the St. Malachi Parish Pastoral Council this past year. My intent in accepting this nomination is not to attain a leadership role but to assist the continuity in the transition phase as an at-large member of council for one year.

