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Date: November 9, 2015
To: Pastors
Cc: Parochial Vicars and Parish/Mission Secretaries
From: Paula Gwynn Grant, Director, Office of Communications
Re: Your Parish Stories & The Pastoral Plan

It's been many months since Archbishop Gregory promulgated our Archdiocese of Atlanta Pastoral Plan. The Pastoral Plan guides our Archdiocese over the next five years. The Plan is designed for you. www.pastoralplan.archatl.com

You might remember our theme, "Yes, You are in there!"

We should all see ourselves in our Pastoral Plan. Our Plan is inclusive of all.

Archbishop Gregory invited you and your parish to read the Pastoral Plan, and most parishes realized they had already started the process.

You were next invited to review the recommendations for revitalizing the Church throughout the Archdiocese of Atlanta. You found 14 recommendations falling into four broad categories: Knowing Our Faith, Living Our Faith, Sharing Our Faith, and Evolution of our Parishes.

What is your parish story so far? What has been exciting? Surprising? What have been your first steps – planning? Your planning is a story. New processes or parish committees?

We want to know.

We are looking for as many stories as we can to begin sharing far and wide. We will be sharing your parish stories in The Georgia Bulletin, on our YouTube

Channel and all other social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.), on our archatl.com website and with the secular media, where it makes sense.

We must *regularly* share what we are doing in order to help each other and be inspired with new ideas. Why reinvent the wheel!?

Please email us your parish story ideas – short bullets of information is all we need to begin – at Communications@archatl.com. We will follow up with you for all the details once we receive the short version.

Thanks much.