

Announcement: Pastoral Vision for the Church of Philadelphia Information Session.

St. Thomas of Villanova Parish is hosting an information session on the recent Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Perez that was issued in January. Please join us for a conversation about the vision for the Church of Philadelphia. Your voice and presence are essential as we plan a new way forward together. Learn more about the vision for us to come together to encounter each other with open hearts to build the strongest possible Church of Philadelphia. Read the Archbishop's Letter at trustandhope.org

Parish Session Dates: Thursday, March 13, 2025, and Sunday, March 18, 2025

Location: Harten Hall, Light refreshments

Time: Thursday 3/13 7-8:30pm, **Sunday 3/18** 12-1:30pm

Register/RSVP: email office@stvparish.org.

Additional Information: Visit <https://trustandhope.org> for additional dates and locations, news and information.

Excerpt from the email communication from the Archdiocese:

On January 5, 2025, the memorial of Saint John Neumann, Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez published a Pastoral Letter addressed to the faithful of the Church of Philadelphia, and to all people of goodwill in the five-county region comprising the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This Pastoral Letter takes the unique form of an Invitation to participate in encounters over the coming months that will guide our efforts to renew the Church of Philadelphia and especially to reach out in a missionary spirit to those who feel distanced from the Church for a variety of reasons. The intent of the Pastoral Letter can be understood from the titles of its sections:

- Where.are.we.today?
- A.pastoral.change.of.heart
- Where.does.the.Church.need.to.be?
- How.does.the.Church.need.to.be?
- Parish.renewal.and.reimagining.ministry

Please pray fervently for everyone who will receive and read the Pastoral Letter, that each person, no matter his or her connection with or role in the Church of Philadelphia at the moment, will be inspired and led to the pastoral change of heart that will enrich and strengthen the mission of the Church and the life of each member of it.

