

Dear Clergy and Parish Leaders,

Please join us at Philadelphia Cathedral on February 23rd for our third Annual Vestry Symposium (details below). If possible, please share and post the attached flyer on your parish bulletin board so that your vestry members and wardens can attend this detailed and practical offering. This symposium has proven helpful to both new vestry members and those with years of experience...please join us in a gathering that will provide concrete skills development for our congregational leadership.

Faithfully,

Henry Carnes,  
Director of Education and Training

## **Third Annual Vestry Symposium**

**Please join us on February 23, 2008  
at  
Philadelphia Cathedral, 38<sup>th</sup> and Ludlow Sts.  
Philadelphia, PA 19104**

Congregational leaders from around the diocese will gather again for our Third Annual Vestry Symposium. Led by The Rev. Tom Pumphrey, Bill Powell and Joe Suprenuk, please join us to explore how wardens and vestries can improve their leadership in a variety of areas: membership and stewardship development, strategic planning, priest-parish relationships, church business affairs and spirituality.

This is a perfect opportunity for new vestry members and veterans alike to explore the role and ministry of the vestry—how this ministry can be fruitful for God and for God's church. The Rev. Tom Pumphrey, rector of St. Mark's in Honey Brook, will speak about elements of truly effective vestries, drawing on his studies and experiences both as a lay vestry member and a parish priest. Bill Powell and Joe Suprenuk, members of both Standing Committee and Property & Finance Committee, will speak about stewardship of parish resources—from pledging to capital campaigns to the role of the vestry as chief stewards of the parish. Bill and Joe bring years of leadership experience in the parish and the wider church.

**When: Sat., Feb. 23, 2008**

**Where: Philadelphia cathedral**

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