

A new hymnal, Gather Comprehensive II, will be used in our church starting May 31st/June 1st. It is a combination classical/contemporary hymnal developed by GIA, the company that published our present hymnal, which was purchased in 1995.

- ♪ A hardcover hymnal is preferred (instead of a missalette) because the Liturgy of the Mass deserves a worthy book.
- ♪ This new hymnal also includes the new translations of the Scriptures, which will be less confusing for everyone.
- ♪ In the long run it is cheaper than missalettes. A permanent hymnal has a lifespan of about 10 years (13 years for Worship III). Missalettes are dated "throw-away" and must be continually renewed.

The hymnal costs \$15.00. We hope to defray the cost to the parish by individual donations (as we did in 1995). If you would like to donate a copy to the parish in your name or in memory of someone deceased, a bookplate will be placed in the inside front cover listing the name of the donor and of the memorialized person. Special envelopes are included in this mailing and also can be found in the vestibule of the church. If you decide to help, simply fill it out, place the cash or check in the envelope and include it with your regular envelope in the offertory collection...or contact the church secretary, Toni Jardine, at the Parish Center (203-235-3822).

