

St. Agnes Parish's Strategic Pastoral Plan

EVANGELIZATION GOALS

Goal: To bring about in all St. Agnes Parishioners an enthusiasm for their faith that, in living their faith in Jesus they freely share it with others.

Objectives:

1. To regularly distribute *Newcomer Packets* to welcome new members into the Parish.
2. To plan parish renewals, evenings of prayer, and/or retreat days to enliven and deepen the faith of the people.
3. To bring about sense of Christian joy about the Good News of Jesus Christ, as is evident in homilies, in worship, in Parish activities, and in outreach efforts.

Goal: To invite all people, whatever their social or cultural background, to hear the message of salvation in Jesus Christ and receive the fullness of the Catholic faith.

Objectives:

1. To develop a public image of the parish as one of hospitality, invitation, and compassion where no one is excluded.

Goal: To foster gospel values in our society and uphold the dignity of the human person, the importance of family, and the common good of our society, so that our Parish may continue to be transformed by the saving power of Jesus Christ.

Objectives:

1. To continue to provide adults and children the opportunities for evangelization formation.
2. To continue to provide opportunities for small groups to gather and share their faith as it relates to everyday life.
3. To plan regular visits to the shut-ins of the parish by parishioners.

WORSHIP GOAL

Goal: To enrich the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist.

Objectives:

1. To provide “refresher” training for those who are presently altar servers, ushers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers by September 2009.
2. To have Eucharistic ministers and lectors sit with their family during Mass.
3. To plan and offer a retreat for liturgical ministers.
4. To educate parishioners on the basic understanding of the Eucharist.

5. To have a teaching Mass in 2010.

WORD GOAL

Goal: To establish religious formation opportunities for parishioners of all ages.

Objectives:

1. To plan and offer an intergenerational “Family Formation Day” by May, 2011
2. To offer a series of three sessions for parents on “Keeping our Kids Catholic- Parenting the Faith of our Children”
3. To keep St. Agnes School and CCD programs alive.

COMMUNITY GOAL

Goal: To recognize St. Agnes Parish as a Christian Community rather than a purely social or civic organization.

Objectives:

1. To reach all age groups with religious education.
2. To provide for the special needs of those who might feel excluded from the parish life: youth, single adults, minorities, separated and divorced, single parents, widowed, homebound, elderly, and the physically or mentally challenged.
3. To institute annual parish social activities that build Christian community bonds.

SERVICE GOAL

Goal: To continue our works that focus on our human community, beginning with our own parish members and extending to the poor and marginalized in the local area, the nation and the world.

Objectives:

1. To provide continued support for the various Service Ministries in our parish including St. Vincent de Paul, Ladies of Charity, Respect Life Committee and others.
2. To initiate a commissioning process of Eucharistic Ministers to obtain and administer the Eucharist to our homebound parishioners.

STEWARDSHIP GOAL

Goal: To increase by 25% the members of our faith family who participate in the ministries and activities of our parish.

Objectives:

1. To create a Parish Board of the heads of each ministry group who will report to the pastor and Pastoral Council.
2. To revitalize the liturgical ministries (music, lector, server, Eucharistic minister)

- by holding a training workshop and adherence in the Protecting God's Children requirements by October 2009.
3. Develop and keep an updated Ministry Directory in the pamphlet rack by December 2009.
 4. Pursue a new updated Parish Picture Directory.
 5. Initiate a Telephone Tree for the Prayer Ministry.

LEADERSHIP GOAL

Goal: The Pastoral Council will exercise their gifts to: create a vision, plan, empower and evaluate the parish's programs and initiatives in light of the parish mission.

Objectives:

1. The Pastoral Council will facilitate and communicate objectives to the Pastoral Ministry Board and the Pastoral Ministry Board will implement the objectives that the Pastoral Council establishes.
2. The Pastoral Council needs to publish the Pastoral Plan on the website and in the Bulletin by September 2009.