

# Diocese of Bridgeport Parish Pastoral Plan "Building a Bridge to the Future"

## Part One: Introductory Information

**Parish:**

Saint Marv Church - Greenwich

**Pastor:**

Rev. Cvorian P. La Pastina

**Date:**

September 30,2016

**Parish Task Force Members:**

**Leadership Position:**

- 1) Larry Mabes
- 2) Donna Mabes
- 3) Sharon De Bold
- 4) Angela Francisco
- 5) Catherine Hacker
- 6) Charlene Prisinzano
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Add additional lines if there are more Task Force members

**Signature of the Pastor:**



## Pastoral Challenge #1: Worksheets for Parish Goals and Action Steps

***Please note: One Worksheet must be completed for each pastoral challenge to be addressed.***

### A. Pastoral Challenge to be addressed:

**X Catechesis and Education**

€ Evangelization

€ Family Life

€ Leadership

€ Liturgy and Worship

### B. Rationale for Choosing this Priority Area:

Parents can seem disconnected from the religious education of their children. Many withdraw children after the child receives the Sacraments and many do not attend Sunday Mass. There seems to be a need for a greater appreciation of the importance of the Parish in family life.

### C. Statement of the First Goal to be achieved:

**Our goal is to support those who have children in our religious education program and help to see it as a means of formation for the whole family**

#### a. Action Step# 1 to achieve the Goal:

We propose four sessions per year with parents to offer guidance on the basic principles of the Catholic Faith. In addition we will encourage parents to make more use of the opportunities for spiritual and intellectual growth already offered in the parish

#### Summary Information for Action Step #1:

- Timeline for completion : Begin January 2017
- Responsible person/Task Force: Charlene Prisinzano, Larry Mabes
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any): None
- Projected Costs (if any): Minor costs

*(Please complete this page only if the parish plan proposes additional action steps to realize its First Goal)*

**b. Action Step #2 to achieve Goal:**

**Summary Information for Action Step #2:**

- Timeline for completion :
- Responsible person/Task Force:
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any):

**c. Action Step #3 to achieve Goal:**

**Summary Information for Action Step #3:**

- Timeline for completion:
- Responsible person/Task Force:
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any):

*(Please repeat the sections above if you propose additional action steps to complete First Goal)*

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## Pastoral Challenge #2: Worksheets for Parish Goals and Action Steps

*Please note: One Worksheet must be completed for each pastoral challenge to be addressed.*

### A. Pastoral Challenge to be addressed:

€ Catechesis and Education

€ Evangelization

**X Family Life**

€ Leadership

€ Liturgy and Worship

### B. Rationale for Choosing this Priority Area:

The youth are the future of the Church. Many students stop attending Mass once they have received Confirmation and completed Religious Education.

### C. Statement of the Second Goal to be achieved:

Our goal is to support and encourage our young people to take an interest in their relationship with the Lord and an active role in parish life to prepare them for leadership positions in the future.

#### a. Action Step# 1 to achieve Second Goal:

We will organize and strengthen our Youth Group in order to assist in keep young people interested and engaged in the life of the Parish. Part of this process will be to divide the Youth Group in two sections, one for Middle School Students and another for High School students.

#### Summary Information for Action Step #1:

- Timeline for completion: January 2017
- Responsible person/Task Force: Sharon DeBold
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any): no additional expenses foreseen



*(Please complete this page only if the parish plan proposes additional action steps to realize its Second Goal)*

**b. Action Step #2 to achieve Second Goal:**

**Summary Information for Action Step #2:**

- Timeline for completion :
- Responsible person/Task Force:
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any):

**c. Action Step #3 to achieve Second Goal:**

**Summary Information for Action Step #3:**

- Timeline for completion :
- Responsible person/Task Force:
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any):

*(Please repeat the sections above if you propose additional action steps to complete Second Goal)*

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## Temporalities and Administrative Challenge: Worksheets for Parish Goals and Action Steps

***Please note: One Worksheet must be completed for each temporalities challenge to be addressed***

### **A. Temporalities and Administrative Challenge to be addressed:**

- € Buildings and Facilities
- € Community Life
- X Finances**

### **B. Rationale for Choosing this Priority Area:**

While the number of those attending Mass at St Mary Parish has gone up our collection remains mostly the same. Our collection currently covers operating costs with no funds left over for savings or unexpected repairs.

### **C. Statement of the Third Goal:**

Our goal is to increase our offertory to help meet the rises costs of running our parish.

#### **a. Action Step# 1 to achieve Third Goal:**

We are currently examining various programs for increased offertory and will make a decision how to proceed in January 2017

#### **Summary Information for Action Step #1:**

- Timeline for completion: June 2017
- Responsible person/Task Force: Finance Board
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any): still pending

*(Please complete this page only if the parish plan proposes additional action steps to realize its Third Goal)*

**A. Action Step #2 to achieve Third Goal:**

**Summary Information for Action Step #2:**

- Timeline for completion:
- Responsible person/Task Force:
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any):

**d. Action Step #3 to achieve Third Goal:**

**Summary Information for Action Step #3:**

- Timeline for completion:
- Responsible person/Task Force:
- Diocesan Office assisting (if any):
- Projected Costs (if any):

*(Please repeat the sections above if you propose additional action steps to complete Third Goal)*

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**Optional Question:**

- 1. If you had the ability to respond to a third pastoral challenge, which would you choose and why?**

