
“BUILDING A BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE”

**SAINT MAURICE CHURCH
PASTORAL PLAN · SEPTEMBER 2016**

Introductory Information

Parish: Saint Maurice

Pastor: Rev. Alfred A. Riendeau, Jr.

Date: September 30, 2016

Parish Task Force Members:

Leadership Position:

- 1) Kathleen Dechant
- 2) John Girardi
- 3) Barbara Glynn
- 4) Sandra Kluun
- 5) Mary Lamonte
- 6) Tony Lamonte
- 7) Susan Pritting
- 8) Sheila Toner
- 9) Andrew Vizcarra
- 10) Dona Vizcarra
- 11) Rev. Alfred A. Riendeau, Jr.,

Coordinator of Faith Formation
Lay member of the Parish Corporation

Signature of the Pastor:



PASTORAL CHALLENGE #1

A. Pastoral Challenge to be addressed:

Catechesis and Education

B. Rationale for Choosing this Priority Area:

The Disciple Maker survey results reveal the need to expand faith formation/education opportunities to the larger community.

The Church has stated quite clearly the *primacy* of adult catechetical ministry, as reflected found in Church documents, *Catechese Tradendae*, *The General Directory for Catechesis*, *The National Catechetical Directory* and *To Teach as Jesus Did*. It is imperative that we need to keep this focus in mind and enrich and strengthen each member of the parish – in all stages of life – their relationship with Jesus Christ and their role as a faithful disciple.

C. Statement of the First Goal to be achieved:

We must continue to build on what we have accomplished in the past two years. Additionally, we need to strengthen the current faith-focused programs; to develop an engaging faith formation program for adult members of the parish; and to deepen their personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

To determine a plan of action and develop a program for spiritual development, whole parish enrichment, matters of faith and personal prayer life.

D. Action Step # 1 to achieve the Goal:

- Establish an *ad hoc* committee
- Assess the current programs; determine what's working/what's missing
- Research best practices for adult faith formation, youth ministry
- Evaluate options and prioritize needs of parish
- Develop and implement the plan

Information for Action Step #1:

- Timeline for completion:

Ad hoc committee formed by March 2017

Six months for assessment, evaluation and research

Plan to be finalized and presented to parish for Advent 2017

Begin implementation in Lent 2018

- Responsible person/Task Force: Faith formation team

- Diocesan Office assisting: Office of Faith Formation, Catholic Charities

PASTORAL CHALLENGE #2

A. Pastoral Challenge to be addressed:

Family Life

B. Rationale for Choosing this Priority Area:

Based on the results of the Disciple Maker survey, support of all parish families – in its many forms, i.e., traditional, “empty nesters”, single-parent families, married couples without children, elderly couples, singles, widows and widowers – is a critical issue to strengthen family life, and to ensure the vibrancy, continued growth, sustainability of the parish and participation and involvement of the entire faith community.

C. Statement of the Second Goal to be achieved:

Establish a Parish Life Committee reflecting all demographic groups and design social activities to build community and “fun-raisers” to encourage family unity and strengthen the connection between family life and the life of the Parish family.

D. Action Step # 1 to achieve Second Goal:

- Establish an *ad hoc* committee
- Assess the current programs; determine what's working/what's missing
- Write and adopt Parish Mission Statement
- Research best practices
- Evaluate options and prioritize needs of parish
- Develop plan of action and implement

Information for Action Step #1:

- Timeline for completion:

Ad hoc committee formed by winter 2016

Mission Statement written and adopted by spring 2017

Six months for continued assessment, evaluation and research

Plan to be finalized and presented to parish for Advent 2017

Begin implementation in Lent 2018

- Responsible person/Task Force: Parish Life Assessment Group

TEMPORALITIES & ADMINISTRATIVE CHALLENGE

A. Temporalities and Administrative Challenge to be addressed:

Buildings and Facilities

B. Rationale for Choosing this Priority Area:

There will always be concerns or challenges that face any 80 plus year old buildings and property.

Long overdue and much needed repairs and maintenance have been accomplished in past 2 years but we cannot lose the momentum... and to that end...

C. Statement of the Third Goal:

... we must continue in our efforts to ensure all Parish buildings and grounds be and remain in an appropriate, stable and functional condition to support the mission of the parish and its activities well into the future.

D. Action Step # 1 to achieve Third Goal:

- Establish an assessment team to focus on all conditional, material, mechanical, and structural aspects of the Church, parish hall, parish kitchen, rectory, exterior garage and parking lot. . .

- To evaluate:
 - (1) current status;
 - (2) overall condition;
 - (3) immediate repairs;
 - (4) necessary repairs;
 - (5) future maintenance;
 - (6) future concerns;
 - (7) future hopes and wishes.

Evaluation to consider: electrical, mechanical, plumbing, structural, stability, viability, importance and impact on particular building and on Parish overall, etc.

Information for Action Step #1:

- Timeline for completion:
 - Assessment team in place and functional by spring 2017
 - Completed assessment and evaluation with short and long term plans of action – spring 2018

- Responsible person/Task Force: Tony Lamonte