



## Appendix

### Building Faith for the Next 100 years

**(St. Pius X currently consists of 2,100 families totaling 5,200 women, men and children)**

Overall Goal: Enrich the faith of current active parishioners (30%) and welcome back those currently not attending (70%).

Building on the foundation started by the Pastoral Care Office in 1998, new programs that have been developed at St. Pius X over the past three years to achieve the overall goal include:

#### **Service and Outreach**

Meal Ministry for Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless and St. Pius parishioners – 30 homeless fed once per month and 50 parishioners served

Adopt-a-Pot – nine parishioners help beautify our parish grounds

Community Maternity Services/Farano House Mentoring – three parishioners serve as mentors

Sunnyside Fall Clean-up – 20 parishioners volunteer once per year

DePaul Housing Meals – 35 residents served monthly by teams of five parishioners

Lenten Tree of Mercy – 800 items collected for 10 different agencies or outreach programs

April Service Day – 219 parishioners volunteered at 10 different worksites

Mary's Corner – five parishioners volunteer to serve children up to age four

St. Catherine's Home for Children room redecoration – 15 parishioners decorated three rooms

Capital Roots Garden in Troy – 15 parishioners planted gardens

Compassion-in-Action family fun days – 25 parishioners provided summer fun for 150 inner-city families on two occasions

Residents Encounter Christ (prison retreat) - 6 parishioners assisted in prison retreats

## **Pastoral Care**

Hudson Park Nursing Home Eucharistic Visits – six parishioners bring communion to residents twice a month

Educational Care Notes, CD Information and Kids' Corner – three parishioners maintain this information in the gathering area

Mental Health Support Group – parishioner facilitates group for eight participants

Bereavement Support Group – Seasons of Hope – team of three parishioners facilitate group for 3-6 parishioners

Divorced and Separated Support Group – two parishioners facilitate group for 12 people

Weekly Prayer Group - 5-8 parishioners meet weekly to pray for the needs of the parish

## **Welcome (evangelization)**

Christmas book program – 2,100 books are distributed to families and small groups offered to deepen the faith of our parish community

Cornerstone retreat for women – 52 parishioners participate in this annual retreat

Advent and Lenten Men's & Women's breakfasts – 200+ parishioners gather to share our faith

St. Pius Men's group – 12 men gather to play golf and do service work in the community

Welcome Hub in gathering area – 15 parishioners staff the hub at weekend Masses

Greeter ministry – 65 parishioners greet other parishioners at all weekend and special Masses

Enhanced hospitality Sundays – 30 parishioners offer more frequent hospitality gatherings following Mass

Nametag Sunday – 90% of the parish participates in this yearly activity to meet new parishioners

Young adult "Cooking with Tim" – 20 young adults participate in this social activity three times per year

Super Freeze Super Bowl party – 30 volunteers host this annual parish function for 300 – 400 parishioners

Enhanced Parish Picnic – new activities added each year; increased parish participation each year

“Join the Conversation” for Catholics who have been away

Sunday coffee and discussion for Religious Education parents

Gathering area furniture and warm-up

Blanket making for Mary’s Corner

Quarterly pew cards – 300 cards printed quarterly and placed in pews

### **Newcomers**

Newcomer Wine and Cheese – 25 parishioners welcomed 90 new parishioners

Newcomer Coffee Connect – six parishioners discussed ministry opportunities for 31 new parishioners

Welcome packets and gift for newcomers – two parishioners organized this effort to welcome new parishioners

Ambassador program – 15 parishioners welcome newcomers at St. Pius social functions

### **Future Programs – expansion of our mission**

Expanded Speaker series – Living with Alzheimers, being a caregiver, dealing with addictions, parenting, etc.

Young mother’s group

Middle School, High School and Young Adult gatherings

Mission trip for HS students

Mentoring program for new families

Rides to Mass Program for homebound

Adopt-a grandparent program

Cancer support group

Caregiver support group

Senior events for recent widows and widowers

Young adult focus groups

Baptismal couples re-engagement

Enhanced Engaged couples' program

HATAS furniture and backpack program

Partner with Unity House

Develop Adopt-a-Family program for Christmas

Partner with Compassion-in-Action to provide Thanksgiving meal

Book collection for Troy School District

Intergenerational service project for 9/2017