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Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Plan

Mission Statement

*Sacred Heart Church is a Catholic Faith Community
rooted in tradition, led by the Spirit,
with a mission to serve the people of God in the twenty-first century
in worship, faith formation, service, stewardship and interfaith activities.*

Worship

Goal

The worship goal of Sacred Heart Church is to be a prayerful community centered in the liturgical life of the church through Eucharist and sacraments.

Objectives

1. Offer the parishioners various types of prayer experiences that will enhance their faith and that of the community.
2. Present the congregation some of the worship guidelines in the New Roman Missal.
3. Encourage parishioners to participate or serve on liturgical ministries in the church such as extraordinary ministry, music ministry, environmental committee, homebound visitors and lectors.

Faith Formation

Goal

The Faith Formation goal of Sacred Heart Church is to be a community committed to develop and enhance faith formation and family life at all levels of the human person through spiritual activities and educational programs.

Objectives

1. Foster the Catholic formation of individuals, families and the parish community through our homilies, bulletins, teachings and website.
2. Develop a team of parishioners who would be capable and willing to share their faith with others who are entering the Church through the RCIA program.
3. Develop a bible study program.
4. Conduct a yearly retreat.

Service

Goal

The service goal of Sacred Heart church is to be a community called to serve the poor among us spiritually, materially and emotionally.

Objectives

1. Continue to expand and develop the parish outreach committee.
2. Continue to support local programs that embrace the poor, homeless and marginalized within our community.
3. Continue to present the Social Teachings of the Church through the bulletin, homilies and announcements.
4. Explore the possible development of a parish nursing team.

Stewardship

Goal

The stewardship goal of Sacred Heart Church is to develop and empower each other in the use of our time, talents and finances for enhancing our faith community.

Objectives

1. Continue to encourage parishioners to invite others to give freely of time and talents throughout the year in various activities occurring within the parish to enhance the image of the parish.
2. Conduct a stewardship fair every other year to create an awareness of how people can share their time and talents and to recruit new leadership.
3. Analyze the financial status of the parish in order to find new ways and means to educate the parishioners regarding their responsibility to contribute to the support of the parish (Finance Committee).

Interfaith

Goal

Sacred Heart Church is dedicated to working with our brothers and sisters of all denominations to build the kingdom of God.

Objectives

1. Enhance the parishioners' understanding of immigration issues and the various religious beliefs that each group brings with them.
2. Support and participate in activities of the local ministerium.
3. Encourage programs that will build collaboration with the local faith based organizations.