

Holy Family Church Vision Plan

Thank you to many members of the parish who have volunteered their time and talents to move the Holy Family Vision plan forward and build a strong community of faith and support. The plan contains four main pillars to organize activities and work toward this goal. Each committee has been working hard toward achieving the plan goals. A brief summary below reflects some of the great work that is a product of this plan.

Active Discipleship – tilling the heart to receive the word.

- Create liturgical activities for families –
 - Christmas tree decoration art project during advent with many families participating
 - Christmas caroling at Brady during December – several families and parishioners participating
- Youth mission trip
 - Summer mission trip to Mexico with 36 participants, high school age to adults, from both Mitchell Catholic Churches
- Established children’s church where preschool children receive the word of God age appropriately once a month during the 10:00 am mass.
- Planning a super Sunday event May 3, 2020 – end of the school year event to kick off summer break.

Social and Fellowship Activities to Build Community – creating an environment of informal sharing of faith

- Donuts, coffee and juice served once per month after each mass in the gathering space allowing for fellowship
- Established Faith on Tap – a program for young adults to meet monthly to learn more about God’s teachings and the Catholic Faith. This program will be expanded in the near future to include a larger age group.
- Organizing a Lenten social event

Liturgy and Prayer -fostering a culture of encounter.

- New music director hired - opportunities to expand the music ministry for the parish masses
 - Mixed choir at 10 am mass with participation flexibility encouraging families to participate
 - Working toward a consistent cantor program
- Adoption of the *Breaking Bread* missalette to guide congregation mass participation and services
- Training provided for new extraordinary ministers and lectors expanding those participating in this valuable service within our parish
- Assessment of the usher program. An organizational meeting to begin using a scheduler and provide training.
- Activated a new ‘gift bearer’ program encouraging families to participate at each mass bringing the gifts forward at offertory time. The initial response has been very positive, and the committee will work to refine a schedule and encourage more participation. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in participating.

- Full evaluation of the sound system to be completed in the near future
- Volunteers gained for sacristan assistance. These individuals provide cleaning support with altar cloth, vestments, and other items used to celebrate sacraments.

Social and Fellowship Activities – building a community

- Love Feast – Holy Family is scheduled to serve at the Love Feast in May and September. This is an inner-generational opportunity for service in our community
- Working to secure date to serve at the Banquet in Sioux Falls
- Seeking a dedicated parishioner that could update Holy Family Church's presence on social media to keep the parish informed of all the activities and opportunities.

The main purpose of the Holy Family Catholic Church vision plan is to actively strengthen faith, hospitality and discipleship. Volunteers are welcome to participate in this great work. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the parish office at 605-996-3639.

Look for other activities coming in the near future.