

Strategic Plan



Sorrowful Mother Parish

Wheatfield, Indiana

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Mission. . .

The Mission of the **Catholic Faith Family of Sorrowful Mother Parish** is to praise the name of Jesus by:

**Worshiping God as a Faith
Community in Word and Sacrament**

**Engaging in renewal, outreach,
evangelization, and ecumenical
cooperation**

**Responding to ongoing
personal conversion**

**Teaching of the Gospel message in
the Catholic tradition to all cultures**

**Loving God and our neighbor,
especially those in need**

We, the people of Sorrowful Mother Parish, gathered by the power of the Holy Spirit, are committed to responsible stewardship of our human and financial resources.

Values and Beliefs. . .

The Catholic Faith Family of Sorrowful Mother
is committed to:

Enrichment of our relationship with God

Personally and in Community

**Sharing of our Catholic beliefs
and traditions with**

One Another

Our Children

Our Absent Brothers and Sisters

Our Unchurched Brothers and Sisters

People of all cultures

Service to

Our Parish Community

Others with Individual Needs

**Leadership committed to
collaboration in ministry**

Developing more lay leaders

Objectives. . .

BUILDINGS

LITURGY

COMMUNITY

FAITH FORMATION

OUTREACH

Parish Priorities...

- 1** Enclose Overhang and Refurbish Kitchen
- 2** Have a Youth or Children's
or Contemporary Choir
- 3** Fix the bathrooms and make them
handicapped accessible
- 4** Put parish births and deaths in bulletin
- 5** A separate facility for the food pantry
- 6** Address church heating system
- 7** To improve the choir
- 8** More adult education opportunities
- 9** Become better at welcoming people
to the parish
- 10** Have a board of directors for the
food pantry
- 11** Increase mass attendance by outreach
to fallen away Catholics
- 12** An awning for entrance of church
- 13** A better music program
- 14** More active parishioners
- 15** Repair stained glass window
- 16** Stations of the cross at a later hour
- 17** Bible Study
- 18** Keep young people coming to mass
- 19** Tell people which Eucharistic Prayer
will be used
- 20** Operate ceiling fans during mass to
circulate air over seating area
- 21** A better microphone and sound system
- 22** Stress importance of attending mass
especially in the summer
- 23** Classrooms for all religious education classes
- 24** Do away with the handshake at the sign of peace
- 25** Repair pews and kneelers
- 26** More activities for youth



Building Projects . . .

- 1 To educate the parishioners concerning the proper use of ceiling fans
Person Responsible:.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2012

- 2 To repair the Stained Glass Window
Person Responsible.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2012

- 3 To replace the heating and air conditioning in the church
Person Responsible.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2012

- 4 To maintain the kneelers and pews in the church
Person Responsible:.....Harvey Risner
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 5 To Develop definite plans for a renovation project
Person Responsible:.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: .. December 31, 2012

- 6 To Fundraise for the renovation project
Person Responsible:Finance Committee
Date to be completed: .. December 31, 2013

- 7 To complete the renovation project
Person Responsible:Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:When we have collected 50% of the money

Liturgy. . .

- 1 Education about Listening to the Eucharistic Prayer not reading
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: September 1, 2012

- 2 Education about the handshake of peace
Person Responsible..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: .. December 31, 2012

- 3 Decide different time for Stations
Person Responsible..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: .. December 31, 2012

- 4 Implement new schedule for Stations
Person Responsible:..... Fred Laud
Date to be completed: March 1, 2013

- 5 Decide which mass should have more lively music
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: September 1, 2012

- 6 Recruit musicians
Person Responsible: Liturgy Committee
Date to be completed: October 31, 2013

- 7 Start contemporary choir
Person Responsible: Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: .. December 31, 2012

- 8 Get New Hymnals
Person Responsible:..... Liturgy Committee
Date to be completed: May 31, 2013

- 9 Fix the Sound System in the Hall and in Church
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: .. December 31, 2012



Community...

- 1 Parish Pictorial Directory
Person Responsible:..... Mary Alice Kenning
Date to be completed ... December 31, 2012

- 2 Put parish births and deaths in bulletin
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2012

- 3 Become better at welcoming people to the parish
Person Responsible:.....Everyone in the Parish
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 4 More active parishioners
Person Responsible:.....Everyone in the Parish
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 5 More Activities for Youth
Person Responsible:..... Heather Tokarz and
.....Judy Urbano
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 6 Ministry to the retired
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 7 The food pantry moved to new location in the Hallway
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2013

- 8 Train more people to visit the sick and dying
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2013

Faith Formation...

- 1 Stress importance of Catechist Formation
Person Responsible:..... Sr. Kathryn Kirk
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 2 Stress importance of Ecclesial Lay Ministry program
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:..... Ongoing

- 3 Bible Study Each Summer on different topic
Person Responsible: Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:..... Each Summer

- 4 Parish Mission every other year
Person Responsible: Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:..... Ongoing

- 5 Education Classes..... Fr. Baron's program
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:..... May 1, 2013

- 6 Education Classes.....The History of the church
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:..... May 1, 2014

- 7 Education Classes..... The Sacraments
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: May 1, 2015

- 8 Education Classes..... Prayer
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: May 1, 2016

- 9 Education Classes..... The Beatitudes
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: May 1, 2017

- 10 Education Classes.....The Profession of Faith
Person Responsible:..... Fr. Paul
Date to be completed: May 1, 2018

Outreach...

- 1 Keep young people coming to mass
Person Responsible:.....Everyone in the Parish
Date to be completedOngoing

- 2 Stress importance of attending mass
especially in the summer
Person Responsible:.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:Each May

- 3 Have a board of directors for the food pantry
Person Responsible:..... Linda Duttlinger
Date to be completed:September 1, 2013

- 4 Increase mass attendance by outreach
to fallen away catholics
Person Responsible:.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:Ongoing

- 5 New Program to Welcome people
back to church
Person Responsible:.....Fr. Paul
Date to be completed:September 1, 2013

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