Prayer, Sacraments & The Eucharist

Ministries/Activities included:

 Liturgical Ministries, Children's Liturgy, Music, Prayer programs, Rosary, Sacrament preparation, Vocations team

3-5 year goals:

- Focus on the Eucharist, through Real Presence catechesis, expanding Confession & Adoration times, catechizing Mass reverence, and minister training/formation
- Encourage individual prayer by engaging more people in prayer activities (Rosary, Stations, after-Mass prayer, etc.)
- Develop at least one vocation from St. Francis of Assisi

Help needed:

- Spend some time with Jesus... take advantage of the many Adoration opportunities
- Increase volunteers roster for ministries
- Recruit choir/musician members
- Pray for and encourage vocations
- Adult leaders for Sunday Children's Liturgy

Total Stewardship

Ministries/Activities included:

 Bulletin/Info Board, DDF, Finance Council, Money counters, Newsletter, Photography, Stewardship Council

3-5 year goals:

- Capital Campaign and Building Expansion/Renovation
- Align Total Stewardship activities (Hospitality, Prayer, Formation, Service) with the Parish Pastoral Plan
- 2023-2024 Focus on the Eucharistic Revival
- 2024-> Education and Growth of Total Stewardship for existing and new parishioners

Help needed:

- Prayerfully participate in the Capital Campaign
- Interested in Pastoral, Finance, or Stewardship Councils? Please reach out!
- Newsletter more people to share or write stories
- If you haven't submitted a Stewardship form, please do! Reach out to the Office or the Stewardship Council

Youth

Ministries/Activities included:

• Children's Faith Formation/PSR, Youth/Social Ministry

3-5 year goals:

- Space for education
- Expand youth programs
- Community connection
- Involvement of youth in service activities

Help needed:

- Parent/Grandparents to encourage their youth to participate!
- Substitutes for our PSR teacher aides (also in bulletin)
- Ideas for social and service activities



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Community Outreach/Service

Ministries/Activities included:

 Adopt-a-Street, Ave Maria Rosary Guild, Card ministry, Outreach committee, Knights of Columbus/Ladies' Auxiliary, Least of These, Loving Stitches, Ministers of Care, Website/Facebook, Prayer Network

3-5 year goals:

- Live the mission of being a giving parish, and be of service to others
- Do more with and for the local community

 share the true spirit of St. Francis and create visibility for our Parish
- Get youth more active in service since they are wonderful ambassadors
- Highlight activities at St. Francis of Assisi through internet and social media

Help needed:

• Volunteers needed in many ministries!

Welcoming Parishioners

Ministries/Activities included:

 Church cleaning, Maintenance, Liturgical Environment, Medical team, Mentoring/St. Francis Friends, Saturday Social, Welcoming Team

3-5 year goals:

- Create a welcoming physical presentation of our facilities as well as the direct person to person contact with those who enter our doors
- Establish new groups Saturday Social and Medical Team
- Restart welcoming/mentoring ministry for new parishioners

Help needed:

- "More hands make for lighter work for all!"
- Please consider joining the Welcoming Team or newly formed groups

Evangelizing/Finding New Parishioners

Ministries/Activities included:

• Adult Faith Formation, Book study, Hospitality team, Parish events team, RCIA

3-5 year goals:

- Triple the participation in Adult/Small Group formation efforts (~25 to 75-100)
- Grow to larger RCIA team and target 10-15 catechumens/candidates per year
- Engage all age groups, young families, teens, and seniors in Hospitality & Events
- Connect Parish events into the Nixa and surrounding communities

Help needed:

- Prayerfully discern your participation in Formation activities and Small Groups
- Take initiative to invite people to "come and see"
- Get involved in Hospitality or Parish Event teams (especially Reception/Dinner coordinator)
- More inputs/ideas from Adults and High Schoolers on activities



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