

Formation – Nurturing Life and Leadership of Community -Strategies

Things to do better	Proposed action
Timing of events	Responsibility of Formation team and Parish Co ordination Group.
More flexibility with times	Events diary to maintained and accessible.
Give people opportunity to request certain events/speakers etc.	Where practical
Link Youth groups	Referred to Formation team- ideas request can be directed to Formation Group or Co ordination team.
Talk to parents to get them to encourage youth.	Formation activities for Young people to be arranged through Formation team and Youth team.
Communication via website	Ongoing- strategies for engagement of all people
Tap into skills of parishioners.	Website now been updated.
Inform parishioners	Skills data base to be established- maintained by Office.
	Rules for access by Parish groups need to be established by Parish co ordination team.
	In revised plan Better use of bulletin, website to provide info on formation activities or resources/activities for self development.

Practices We Would Like To Know More About or Further Develop	Proposed action
Youth Secondary students/leaders to speak and fundraise for youth	Ongoing- eg Young Vinnies appeal
Monthly youth Mass /prepared by Youth. Training for youth leaders	Refer Youth groups- include in Youth Planning/considerations.
WYD 2008	Major focus for Youth activities- Parish and Diocesan involvement to be included in planning.
How to draw newcomers into the Parish? Outreach	See Plan- welcoming.
Parish website- update –use for information sharing	Ongoing- advertise process/protocol for Parishioners/groups to get info onto website- Co ordination committee.
Parish census-skills.	Info to be collated/managed by Admin staff/Co ordination committee.
Pro life to become a visible part of the Parish.	Refer to formation team for education /information/discussion. Opportunity exists for group to establish.
Leadership formation	See plan- Role of formation team.
St Vincent de Paul-working with businesses.	Referred to local conference.
Schools	See Plan- Schools role in formation
Networks- seminars on service.	See plan- formation team
Providing formation for people who are needing direction /separated.	Referred to formation team- identification of existing services support.
Program for Youth – structured.	Ongoing.

Shaping Future Church Strategies

What Should We Do Better?	Proposed action
Keep teenagers/ young adults 18-39 involved.	See Plan- Youth activities/formation
Formation in spirituality –all ages	See plan Formation Group
Cater for spirituality of older people.	See plan formation Group.
Regularly planned social activities.	Social committee established
Strengthen school/parish interaction.	On going- co ordinated by Co ordination team.
Fighting social issues and injustice.	Establish separate group to focus on these issues- Co ordination team.
What are we doing about vocations/	Ongoing- needs continuous focus at all levels. Special emphasis /vocation week/ Parish Co ordination team.

Practices We Would Like To Know More About or Further Develop	Proposed Action
<p>Capture data re drift away from Church participation.</p> <p>Why do parents stop being involved.</p> <p>Explore opportunities for deepening faith development eg. Study groups, resource centre, retreat in daily life.</p> <p>Another Mass Centre around Trinity School</p> <p>Getting trinity to be more involved in Parish.</p> <p>Data indicating percentages of teenagers and young adults relative to other age groups and other Parishioners.</p> <p>Investigate prayer cards</p> <p>Lay leaders for liturgies</p> <p>Promote the status of Priests.</p> <p>Involvement in Social Justice issues</p>	<p>Data is available- make available.</p> <p>Co ordination team to consider- Ensure all groups are catered See to Formation and Spirituality plan</p> <p>Not practical unless additional priest- not likely to happen. NB. Relocation of masses during Chapel building will be an opportunity.</p> <p>Trinity currently has a number on innovative programs- School activities will be better advertised. Data is currently available from census data. Co ordination Team to follow up.</p> <p>Referred to admin team</p> <p>Referred to Co ordination team. Develop policy. Provide appropriate training support.</p> <p>Refer co ordination team to develop strategies.</p> <p>Establish separate group to focus on these issues- Co ordination team.</p>

Spirituality – Enriching Prayer, Liturgy and Life -Strategies

What Should We Do Better?	Proposed action
Need more structure around music groups- some songs inappropriate.-	Included in Draft plan- music groups to be represented
People don't know the songs.	As above
Refine distribution of certificates.	Referred to Sacramental Co-ordinator- Luisa
More reflective quiet time during Mass.	Quiet Mass to be trialed.
Focus on more reverent practices.	Referred to Spirituality Group
Noise levels at sacraments/masses.	Quiet Mass
Ushering	See draft Plan – welcoming.
Control of cameras/video equipment.	Education/Rules to be emphasized as part of Sacramental preparation
Sacramental Masses during the week?	There will be some sacramental Masses apart from Sunday. Sunday sacramental Masses will be advertised.
Adult formation about the Eucharist.	Referred to Formation Group for consideration.
Music groups need to work together more.	Included in Plan- Spirituality
Adult formation in Spiritual traditions.	

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Further exposition of Blessed Sacrament.	Referred to Spirituality team
One weekend Mass quieter- more reflective.	Extra Sunday Mass to be trialed
Publish lyrics to hymns as well as AV display.	Referred to music groups
Diminished number of traditional hymns used in liturgies today-still a place for them in our Masses today.-best of old and new.	Referred to music groups
24 Hour vigil more often	Ongoing consideration- referred to spirituality team- suggest a separate group or existing group to co ordinate
More guidelines around music	Issue for music groups to co ordinate.
Generating our own prayers of the faithful each week- reflecting our world	To be considered by spirituality team
Workshops: Taize, Benedictine etc.	To be considered if sufficient interest- need to identify sponsors.
Use resources of SFX college re education resources	Co ordination team to investigate opportunities and make info available to Parish Groups.
Advent-Parish Mission.	Logistics timing make difficult at this time of year. Advent liturgies to continue.
“Retreat in Daily Life” program.	To be considered by Co ordination Group and formation team

Welcoming Strategies

Things to do better	Proposed action
New people to be visited	In Plan- welcoming team
Social events	In plan- social committee.
Multi cultural visits	In plan – welcoming team
Visits after bereavement	In plan- Bereavement team
More contact with each other	In plan- welcoming
More info re Parish Co-Ordination team (PCG)	In plan- Co ordination Team
PCG needs rite of succession E.G. Annual elections.	In plan- Co ordination team
Groups need to advertise how to become involved in groups and what they do.	Referred to co ordination team Admin team.
Response from Office bulletin inserts not always helpful	Need to redefine guidelines as to hoe information is advertised/ shared. Parish co ordination team/ office admin staff.
Cup of tea in accessible place –not Keogh Room	Will be addressed with Church re building
Cup of tea to be advertised –reminders.	
Hours when Parish Office open to be reviewed. Reps available on Sundays after Mass.	Referred to Parish co ordination team for discussion

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<p>New Parishioners welcoming committee</p> <p>Grey Army</p> <p>Welcome before Mass wearing name tags Stay after Mass to answer questions Divide into small groups “Getting to Know you Month”.</p> <p>How to reach lonely people?</p> <p>Banners from each school in foyer Map of the world- pins to show where people come from</p> <p>Better co-ordination between Parish team and co-ordination group.</p> <p>More info on Web page.</p> <p>Poster in foyer with messages in many languages. eg. Easter.</p> <p>Welcome to Parish in many languages flags for all countries represented.</p> <p>Use local newspapers to let people know that they are welcome.</p> <p>Outreach to migrant groups- leaders from communities consulted re groups.</p>	<p>See plan- welcoming committee</p> <p>See plan- Our Lady’s Handyman Service</p> <p>Refer to Welcoming committee.</p> <p>Different strategies- see plan</p> <p>Members of Parish team to be members/attend Co rrd meetings.</p> <p>Info to be included on Web page. Co ord team to work with web administrator to determine best way to do this.</p>

Young People Connecting and Re connecting with Youth Strategies

What Should We Do Better?	Proposed action
<p>Merge Groups together Better communication between groups.</p> <p>Connecting young people with the broader community.</p> <p>Young people at schools connecting with Parish</p> <p>Giving Young People a say “Youth Forum”</p> <p>Need more involvement</p> <p>Focus on Liturgy(Mass is a constant)</p> <p>Different activities (Explore possibilities)</p>	<p>Young people of Parish to decide and coordinate Youth activities in parish and community.</p> <p>Parish Co ordination team to commence process to establish this group.</p> <p>Leadership group to be established.</p> <p>Issues raised to be considered by Youth Leadership Group</p> <p>Group to be sponsored and supported by all Parish groups and represented on Parish co ordination team.</p> <p>World Youth Day to be a focus for youth activities.</p> <p>Use of Web – existing site and consideration of separate dedicated page.</p>

Practices We Would Like To Know More About or Further Develop	Proposed action
<p>Encourage diverse focuses</p> <p>World Youth Day 2008- an opportunity.</p> <p>Giving young people opportunities to express views /opinions.</p> <p>Using music as a connector for young people (Sport?)</p> <p>How do we target the young</p> <p>Further formation of teachers.</p> <p>The place of 'structure'</p> <p>Youth (adults) forum.- exploring ways of youth involvement (encouraging)</p> <p>Diocesan /regional development- interchange of ideas between areas.</p> <p>Other schools involvement- welcoming activity/ sense of belonging.</p> <p>Understanding youth issues and aiming to address them.</p> <p>Identify outside resources-City of Casey, other churches.</p> <p>Antioch Catholic Youth Ministry Young Vinnies. Alpha for youth.</p> <p>Internet WWW. Chat group?</p> <p>Information dissemination</p> <p>Parish web page development/maintenance.</p>	