

Strategic Plan

St. Peter Catholic Church Parish Council

December 2019

St. Peter Parish Mission

St. Peter Parish is a welcoming community of different backgrounds living the joy of Catholic faith in the Diocese of Colorado Springs.

Liturgy

Goal: To retain and grow our faith community through a vibrant, joyful, consistent Catholic Mass and special services experience.

Objectives:

- Provide a welcoming culture through the recognition and positive greetings from priests, deacons, hospitality volunteers, ministry heads, mass coordinators and other volunteers involved in the Mass/service.
- Protect the sanctity of the Holy Eucharist.

Initiatives:

- Host a Parish Life Fair to reach out and encourage new/existing parishioners to become involved in parish life beyond our weekly Mass obligation.
- Provide extraordinary form of Mass (Latin) in the Chapel.
- Provide weekly Holy Hour in the Chapel.

Youth Engagement

Goal: To increase and sustain youth participation in the sacramental life, service, and socialization as evidenced by increased attendance records of church related activities by May 2020.

Objectives:

- Provide engaging and relevant and dynamic Catholic children's and youth faith formation and adult continuing faith educational opportunities.
- Help young people grow in holiness through activities that focus on their spiritual, social, intellectual and physical development.
- Foster and draw young people to live out the gospel by serving in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith community.

Initiative:

- Form a Youth Council that meets on a monthly basis to gain ideas for increasing youth attendance and participation methods in church mass, special services/events and designated youth activities.

Education

Goal: To provide engaging, relevant and dynamic Catholic children's and youth faith formation, education and adult continuing faith education.

Objectives:

- Discover the needs and build relationships with the young and their families.
- Provide and facilitate retreat opportunities that are grade level appropriate.
- Facilitate youth service projects that reach out to the Tri-Lakes Community.
- Develop parent faith education and fellowship groups.

- Promote the presence of the Lord in the Parish Ministry Center during Faith Formation classes.

Initiative:

- Expand support materials that meet the various needs of our youth and their level of understanding and learning with age appropriate materials and instruction.

Financial Health

Goal: To increase the number of new donors to the parish by 100% by June 2020, as measured by financial records.

Objectives:

- Develop a culture of giving by making parishioners aware of parish life as a member of St. Peter Catholic Church.
- Make parish finances transparent to the parishioners through the use of financial reports.

Initiative:

- Capture ministries' and parishioners' stories of how they are supporting the St. Peter mission.

Communication

Goal: To establish a proactive “central communication system” of consistent, integrated messaging outreach.

Objectives:

- Create photo gallery of new families to our parish on a monthly basis. (Permission from families is needed to publish).
- Continue to reach out and measure the effectiveness of our current communication methods through a survey one time per year with parishioners.
- Engage all parishioners with more on-line materials.

Initiatives:

- Provide and maintain an online parish calendar indicating space and meeting room reservations and availabilities
- Hold quarterly new parishioner social events
- Create two information station kiosks in the gathering area