

## **SAINT PRISCILLA PARISH MISSION STATEMENT (adopted 2008)**

We, the people of St. Priscilla Parish, grounded in the Word of God and Sacred Tradition, find strength and joy in the transforming power of Christ's sacrificial love as manifested in the Eucharist. We commit ourselves to lifelong spiritual formation, compassionate service, evangelization and the generous sharing of God's gifts with our parish family and the community at large. We invite people from all cultures and walks of life to join us in our faith journey.

### **GOALS AND TASKS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012**

#### **GOAL #1**

- *Transform the spirituality of the parish in a way that will promote devotion to and appreciation of the Eucharist as the center of our lives as Catholics, from which everything else flows.*

#### **WE WILL:**

- Encourage greater participation in the Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. This is referred to the Worship, Education and Evangelization Commissions.
- Continue to offer a variety of in-depth religious education learning opportunities for adults and youth in the parish. This is referred to the Education Commission.
- Look for opportunities to further increase and inspire personal spirituality.

#### **GOAL #2**

- *Invite and empower all members of the parish community to experience and share in Christ's mission of proclaiming the Good News of God's saving love.*

#### **WE WILL:**

- Reach out to registered members who are inactive, as well as to others outside the parish family. This is referred to all Commissions.
- Each Commission and the Social Committee should be made up of 10-12 members with a chairperson, vice chairperson and secretary. Each group will prepare a specific plan to encourage parishioners to volunteer. Each group should identify areas where additional volunteers are needed and develop an action plan to recruit volunteers. There should be a recognition that individuals should limit the number of activities they are involved in to give others a chance

to become involved. This is referred to all Commissions and the Social Committee.

- Develop and implement a plan for making our parish more welcoming to people of all ages at all parish functions, and particularly at our weekend liturgies. This is referred to all Commissions and the Social Committee.
- Parish Council, all Commissions and the Social Committee should maintain visibility of their members so that they become known in the community and individual parishioners can readily refer their ideas and concerns to them.
- Continue to promote RCIA at the parish.
- Harness the “Internet” (World Wide Web) and information technologies to support the parish mission statement with relevant and collaborative content, fostering a spirit of evangelization, catechesis and relational ministry, leading all to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist and the Sacraments. This is referred to all Commissions, the Social Committee and the parish staff.
- Offer increased opportunities for social interaction within the parish community. This is referred to all Commissions and the Social Committee.
- Take greater advantage of media resources outside the parish to promote parish activities and events, such as Catholic radio, local cable channels and the Vicariate newsletter. This is referred to all Commissions and the Social Committee.
- Promote the parish website to inform our parishioners of the content they will find on the website. This is referred to all Commissions.

### **GOAL #3**

- *Draw middle school and high school youth, young adults and young families into full, active and conscious participation in the overall life of the parish.*

#### **WE WILL:**

- Develop and implement a plan to increase Mass attendance among youth, their parents and young adults. This is referred to the Education, Worship and Evangelization Commissions.
- Actively recruit youth and young adults to serve in the liturgical ministries. This is referred to all Commissions.
- Develop and implement a plan to encourage young adult participation on all Commissions, Parish Council and the Social Committee. This is referred to all Commissions, Parish Council and the Social Committee.
- Develop and implement a Family Life Ministry.