

Social Justice

This group promotes and enables members of the parish to respond to the social problems of today - giving special care to the poor, the lonely, aged, the oppressed and minority groups. The committee is able to reach out to many through the generosity of the parish community. Meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm

Contact: Sandy Radke
Constance LaBarbera

Join the Committee
Fair Trade Sales
Letter writing

Outreach

The church calls us to a preferential option for the poor and we strive to live that challenge through our ministries.

Meals

Rescue Mission
St. Patrick's
Hope House
Provide a salad or dessert
Help serve

Giving Tree
Food Baskets

Visits

Eucharistic Minister to Homebound
Hospital Visits
Nursing Home Visits

Card Ministry
Prayer Chain
Partner Parish
Bereavement Ministry

Contact: Constance LaBarbera

Stewardship

The stewardship committee works with other committees within the parish and the parish at-large to educate them on a stewardship way of life, on prayer, on discernment of gifts and on evangelization. Its goals are to recognize the need to give thanks to God for his many gifts and to continue to support the mission of the Church.

Meeting time; Meets 6 times each year on the third Thursday at 7:00 pm.

Petal Project
Join the committee

Contact: Mark Eisbach

Building and Grounds

This committee promotes the effective utilization and maintenance of the parish facilities, recording areas in need of repair or replacement and submitting these needs to the Pastoral Council and Finance Committee. Meetings on the 4th Monday at 5:00 pm

Committee member
Assist with projects
Garden Committee
Assist with clean up days

Contact: Tim Tranel
Nancy Ehrlich

Support Ministries

There are times when we need assistance in the parish office to help with small projects or to answer the phone.

Contact: Donna Goedert

Receptionist
Help with mailings
Sewing and mending
Cleaning



Ministries

Our call as disciples of Jesus Christ is to offer our time, talent, and treasure in the service of others. Many of us serve in the parish community in a variety of ways and others serve in the wider civic community and world. Together we commit to prayer, to assist one another in growing as persons, and in building the kingdom of God.

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Dear Parishioner,
 Please read this brochure and prayerfully consider where you are serving now and where you would like to become involved. Especially consider those areas in which you have a passion, gifts or abilities. Next week we will have a form for signing up for ministry or for renewing your commitment to ministry. We encourage all parishioners including youth/children to consider offering gifts of time, talent and treasure.
 Feel free to contact the person listed with each ministry or the parish office (563-588-1433) with any questions or if you want to become involved.

Pastoral Council

St. Joseph the Worker Pastoral Council serves the parish as the representatives of the parish and shares with the pastor the responsibility of the vision, planning, and decision making required for the parish. Membership on the Council is attained through election by the parish at large, or by appointment from the pastor. All meetings are open to parish members.

Contact: Nancy Helling
 Fr. Gabriel Anderson

Meetings: Monthly on the 4th Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the parish office meeting room.

Finance Council

This group plans and oversees the financial affairs of the parish. It develops the parish budget in collaboration with Parish Staff members and the Pastoral Council and committees. It is concerned with stewardship and church support, and it supports the necessary administrative and financial resources needed to sustain the mission and ongoing development of the parish community. Members are appointed by the pastor.

Contact: Kevin Schmitt
 Fr. Gabriel Anderson

Meetings - Monthly on the third Friday of the month at 7:00 am in the parish meeting room.

Liturgy Committee

The purpose of the liturgy committee is to facilitate the liturgical prayer of the community. This includes the elements of spirituality, music, environment, liturgical minister, and attention to liturgical norms.

Liturgical Ministries

- Eucharistic Minister
- Lector
- Altar Server
- Greeter
- Usher
- Sacristan
- Liturgy Writer

Music Ministries

- Song Leader
- Music group
- Musician/Instrumentalist
- Funeral Choir

Funeral Ministries

- Eucharistic Minister
- Lector
- Altar Server
- Greeter
- Usher

Environment

- Seasonal Set up
- Plant / flower care in church

Meetings: Full Committee 5 times per year.
 Seasonal Sub-Committees 4 –5 times

Contact: Julie Hill
 Dick Beaves

Faith Formation Commission

Unlike other Council committees, this committee operates according to its own Constitution as approved by the Pastoral Council and the Archdiocesan Faith Formation Commission. The primary goal is the catechetical needs of the total parish community. The commission oversees the Religious Education Program, Youth Ministry and the Adult Faith Formation. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Contact: Eric Munshower—FFC Chair

Commission Member

- Adult Faith Formation
- MOMS Group
- Scripture Study
- Faith Sharing
- Committee member
- Mission trips
- Retreat / Mission planning
- Advent Tea
- Treasure Luncheons

Contact: Cindy Pfiffner—Adult Faith

Youth Ministry

- Chaperone
- Adult leader
- Youth Advisory Committee
- Small Group Leader (9—10)

Confirmation

- Small Group Leader
- Retreat Leader
- Snack provider

Contact: Marcy Mueller—Youth Ministry

Children's Liturgy of the Word

- Prayer Leader
- Reflectionist
- Music Leader

Contact : Diane Freiburger

Religious Education
 Catechist grades 1—8
 Classroom Aide

Whole Community Events
 Adult leader
 Help with planning

Vacation Bible Camp
 Adult leader
 Crew leader—Youth

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)
 Team Member
 Sponsor
 Participant
 Baptism Team Member
 Contact: Sr. Marilyn Breen

Parish Life

This group encourages family and parish activities that strengthen Christian community, fostering a sense of belonging among all members of the parish.

Meeting time: Second Tuesday at 6:00pm
 Contact: Donna Goedert

Committee Member
 Assist with events
 Lenten Buffet: Worker/Food provider
 Craft the Day Away

Octoberfest

The annual community fundraiser is held on the first Sunday of October. Many hands are needed to make this a success.

Committee chair
 Assist with any area

Technology

This committee works to make recommendations regarding technological needs of the parish.

Join the committee
 Assist with website

Contact: Andy Neebel
 Sr. Marilyn Breen