

St. Cecilia's Parish Plan 2007 – 2008  
July 2007

**Our Mission: We, the Parish Community of Saint Cecilia, are a Roman Catholic community of faith, centered on the Eucharist, embracing God's presence in all that we do. God's unconditional love and Word guide us to live Christ's example through prayer, worship, education, and service. We seek to carry out this mission under the patronage of Saint Cecilia.**

Goals and Objectives: (Alphabetical order)

**A. Educate people of all ages about our faith. (education)**

1. Create and complete 1 to 2 formal lecture series by 7/1/2008.
2. Add at least 2 enhancements to the CCD program such as: teacher in-service; service projects; devotional experiences; sacramental experiences; expand the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum.
3. Complete an educational experience for all parents of children completing 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation and Eucharist (open to all parishioners) by 7/1/2008.
4. Review and analyze the adult and family religious education programs and complete recommendations for ongoing activity and administration by 1/31/2008.
5. Add an educational component to the St. Cecilia web site by 7/1/2008.

**B. Enhance the opportunities for worship and prayer which unite and excite us about our faith, while deepening our relationship with Jesus Christ. (worship)**

1. Establish at least 4 afternoon teen Masses by 7/1/2008 which are coupled with the religious education program.
2. Implement a one day retreat for the women of St. Cecilia's parish by 7/1 2008.
3. Establish a liturgy committee with a defined role, mission, and objectives by 12/1/2007.
4. Add a 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade CCD honor class for each 9:30 children's Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month November 2007 thru May 2008.
5. Implement 2 Reconciliation Masses. One during Advent 2007 and the other during Lent 2008.

**C. Reach out to the members of our parish and the surrounding community to expand their participation in Mass, Eucharist, and the unique blessings of the Catholic faith. (outreach)**

1. Create a group to review outreach activities and implement at least three improvements in activities and process by 7/1/2008.
2. Update the parish information brochure by 9/1/2007.
3. Establish a "welcome group" that organizes and implements activities specific to welcoming new/recent members of the parish by 12/31/2007.

**D. Serve the local and global community by sharing our time, talent, and resources. (service)**

1. Establish a draft of a process, procedures, and guidelines for the way the parish decides the dates, cost, and nature of activities/events/projects by Sept. of 2007. Coordinate this process with Finance Committee guidelines.
2. Complete an annual report on the utilization of shopping card revenue, the funding goal for the year, and ongoing indicator of progress by 12/31/2007.
3. Review and evaluate the current Hope Ministries and complete a recommendation on what ministries will be continued, added, or discontinued. Recommendation to be completed by 7/1/2008.
4. Coordinate the service activities of all groups to encourage consistency with the mission and goals of the parish – ongoing 9/2007 to 7/2008.

**E. Strengthen the leadership of our parish and utilize the talents of our parish community.** (leadership)

1. Define the role, job description, cost, funding, and FT/PT status of a youth minister to be implemented by 9/1/2008.
2. Sponsor a ministry and volunteer fair by 11/1/2008 to encourage the sharing of talents throughout the parish and community. This includes a survey of the time and talent of parishioners and expansion of the information of the parish web site.
3. Redefine, reconstruct, and expand the membership of the Pastoral Council by 11/1/2008.
4. Define a leadership training and orientation program by 12/31/2007.

Respectfully and submitted,

St Cecilia Pastoral Council – July 2007.