



Discipleship Directory

A guide to the use of your time, talent, and treasures.

CATHEDRAL OF THE ANNUNCIATION

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Our Mission

The Cathedral Parish of Annunciation is a Community of Disciples called to **WELCOME** all to **CELEBRATE** God's love in Eucharist and Sacrament, and to **GROW** in our faith and commitment in order to **SERVE** others in justice and love.

Annunciation Ministry and Commission Structure

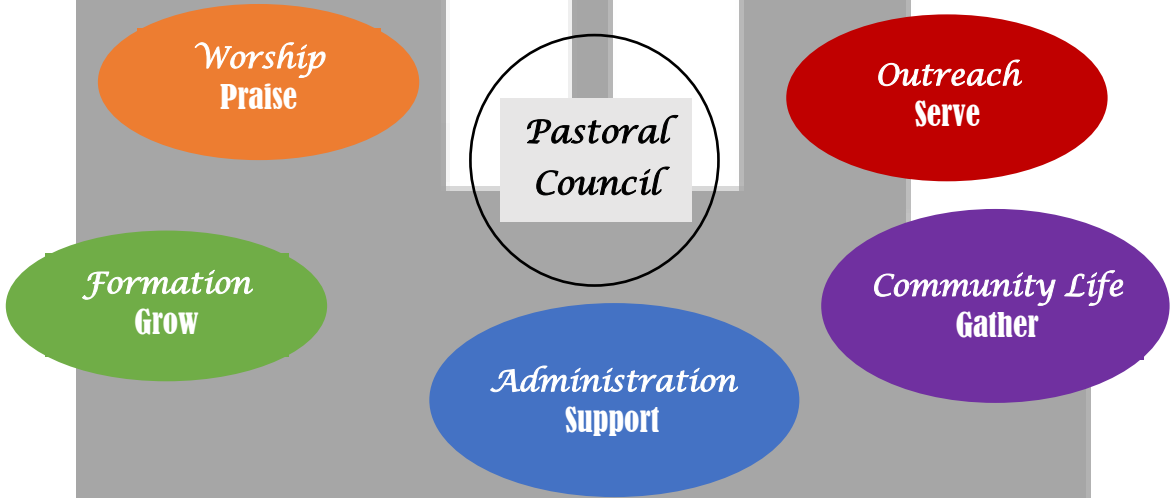


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Letter from Fr. John

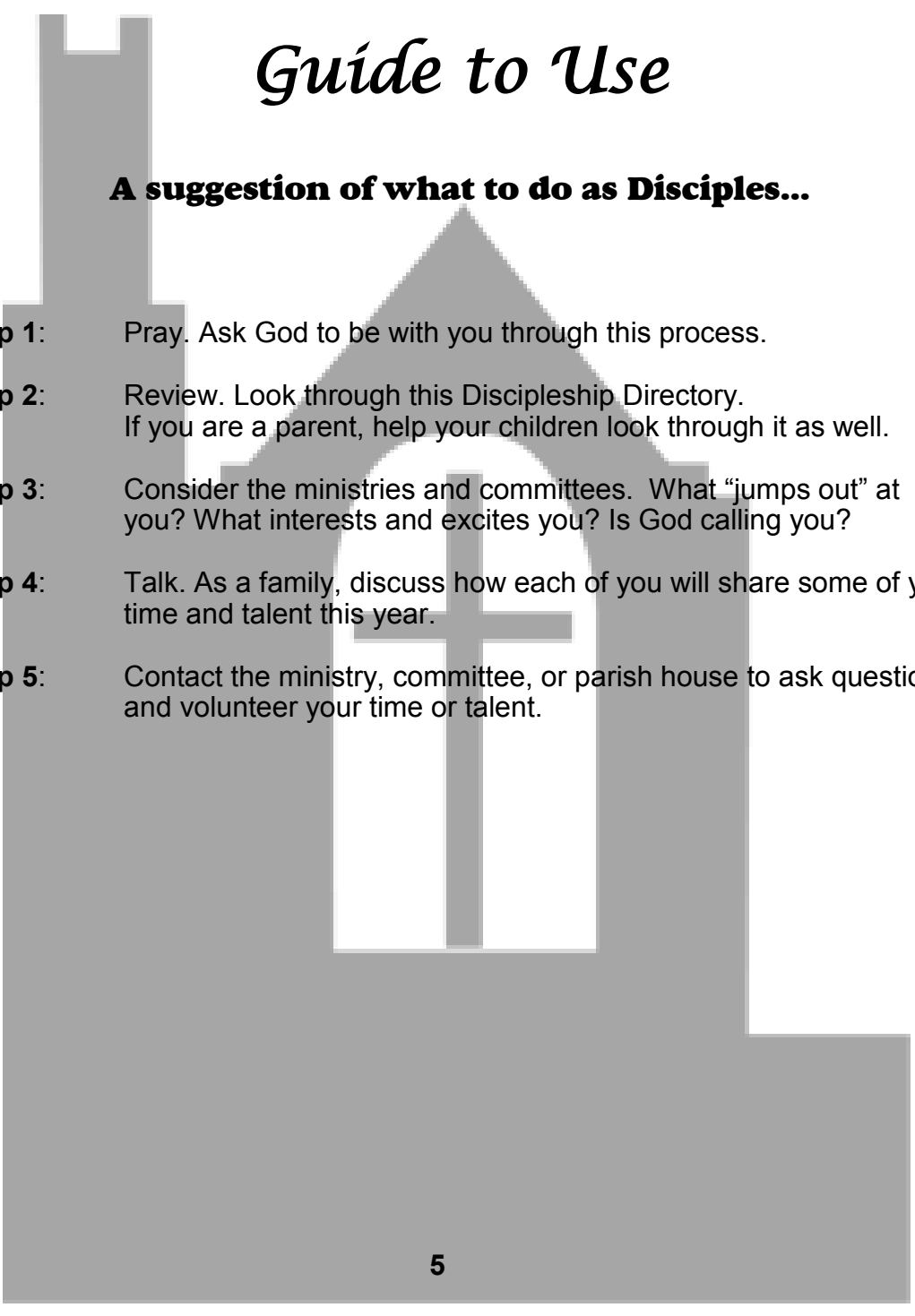
Pope Francis, at almost every opportunity, is calling us to be **Disciples of Jesus**, people who have had a real encounter with the Lord and are trying to follow him.

But he adds a qualifying note, an adjective, to describe what kind of disciples we are called to be: **Missionary Disciples**. We are to share what we have come to know, or better, whom we have come to know, with others. We do this every day in our families and our work, our school and our neighborhood. We also do this as a community of disciples in our parish.

With this ***Discipleship Directory***, I invite you to consider the opportunities, the ministries, that we have in our community and discern how you can best help this parish to be more and more a **Community of Missionary Disciples**.

Guide to Use

A suggestion of what to do as Disciples...

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- Step 1:** Pray. Ask God to be with you through this process.
- Step 2:** Review. Look through this Discipleship Directory. If you are a parent, help your children look through it as well.
- Step 3:** Consider the ministries and committees. What “jumps out” at you? What interests and excites you? Is God calling you?
- Step 4:** Talk. As a family, discuss how each of you will share some of your time and talent this year.
- Step 5:** Contact the ministry, committee, or parish house to ask questions and volunteer your time or talent.

Community Life

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)

Contact Person: Jim Ryan
209.986.0522

CYO provides for the formation and support of athletic teams for children. Seasonal sports include basketball and cross country for boys and girls grades three through eight, and volleyball for girls grades four through eight. This ministry has various advisory board members and coaching positions available as needed.

Consejo Hispano

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The Consejo Hispano is responsible for overlooking activities in the Spanish speaking community. We organize events that the Hispanic/Latino community takes a large part in.

Filipino-American Community

Contact Person: Ching Vance
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The members of the Filipino-American community of Annunciation come together to celebrate our shared culture and Catholic faith. The Community sponsors Filipino religious traditions such the Feast of Santo Niño, Flores de Mayo and an intercultural Rosary. Please join us as we celebrate our culture!

Hospitality Committee

Contact Person: Virginia Larsen
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The Hospitality Committee brings the community together after Mass for refreshments and to socialize with other members of our parish.

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) Support Group

Contact Person: Deacon Mike Wofford
209.463.1305

Deacon Mike Wofford is available to discuss resources available in our community.

Women's Ministry

Contact Person: Terry Chukwueke
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The Women's Ministry of the Cathedral promotes the dignity of all females, encouraging spiritual and intellectual growth, and aims to be of service to all.

PARISH EVENTS

Annunciation School Crab Feed

Contact Person: Jammie Widmer
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This committee organizes and coordinates a one day Crab Feed on parish grounds. The annual Crab Feed is an adult only event held in the evening. This event is a major fundraiser for the parish school and helps enable the school to keep tuition affordable to all families.

Annunciation School Fall Festival

Contact Person: Michelle Nemeo
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This committee organizes and coordinates a one day Fall Festival on parish grounds with games, food, music, raffles and rides for the whole family. This event is a major fundraiser for the parish school and helps enable the school to keep tuition affordable to all families. It is fun for everyone! Free admission and open to the public!

Parish Fiesta

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Parish Mardi Gras

Contact Person: Liz Farnsworth
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Mardi Gras is an annual parish event that invites all parishioners to come together for a free jambalaya dinner and Mardi Gras celebration on the Tuesday evening (Fat Tuesday) before Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. Free food and fun to feast before fasting begins for Lent.

Preschool Special Events

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The Preschool Special Events committee is comprised of volunteers who have successfully completed the safe environment process required in our diocese. This ministry helps the Director of Early Childhood Ministries and preschool staff with annual fundraising events. Preschool fundraising offsets the cost of tuition rates and classroom supplies. Your support of Early Childhood Education is greatly appreciated!

Taste of the Parish

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Taste of the Parish is a festival that showcases multi-cultural food in our community. The purpose is to bring all parishioners together to enjoy foods representing the many vibrant cultures in our parish. Good food, good music! Free admission and open to all!

Worship

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Altar Servers

Contact Person: Lisa Sajor
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Altar Servers assist the priest during Mass. Their prayerful presence adds reverence and dignity to each celebration of the Mass through their listening, praying, and singing. This ministry is open to boys and girls, fifth grade and older, as well as adults, who have received the sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist and attend Mass regularly. Formation for this ministry is provided.

Art and Environment

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This group works closely with the clergy in decorating the Cathedral for liturgical celebrations and seasons.

Eucharistic Ministers

Contact Person: Bill Topp (English)
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Eucharistic Ministers assist the priest in administering the sacraments of holy community, the consecrated bread and wine.

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Greeters

Contact Person: Joan Topp
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The Greeters greet parishioners and visitors as they enter and exit the church, including handing out bulletins and other literature.

Lectors

Contact Person: Barbara Crocker (English)
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Lectors proclaim the Word of God to the assembled community at all liturgies. By prayerful preparation for this ministry, they strive to engage the assembly in a living experience of the Word of God and of the presence of Christ in each celebration. Formation is provided for volunteers in this ministry.

Liturgy Planning Committee

Contact Person: Karen Sanchez
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The liturgy planning committee prepares and evaluates liturgies in the parish in order to assist the community in public prayer. The committee consists of members selected from designated ministries that serve to support the needs of the worshipping assembly. The purpose of a liturgy planning committee is to facilitate communication between these ministries to ensure a unified approach in creating a positive liturgy experience for our parishioners.

Music Ministry

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- Cantors: Cantors are the singers who provide leadership at liturgies. Through their prayerful devotion and musical preparation, they serve as leaders to guide the assembly in prayer through song at mass.

- Instrumentalists: Various instruments are used to enhance the beauty of the music during Mass. Such a ministry required a high level of proficiency along with a personal commitment to prayer and worship.
- Youth Band/Choir: We are currently accepting teenagers and young adults to become part of the Music Ministry. This group will have a chance to just "jam" to Catholic Contemporary music through singing or playing their instrument. Through music, this group aims to deepen their own spirituality and to be able to play once-twice a month during Mass. Those wishing to join the choir must be able to match pitch. Instrumentalists must have a reasonable level of proficiency.

Pew Angels

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This group cleans and rearranges the music aides and song sheets at the end of each mass in preparation for the next mass. The Pew Angels for each mass will typically attend the previous mass and spend about five minutes scanning all the pews throughout the church. Any items left in the pews will be sent to the sacristy.

Sacristans

Contact Person: Geneva Zollinger
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Ushers

Contact Person: Bill Budesá
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Gather the collection of funds and gifts at all the Masses. Coordinate seating arrangements and helping out during Mass in other areas of the liturgy.

PRAYER GROUPS

Altar Guild

Contact Person: Anita Garcia
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This group cleans the altar and sacristy areas, wash and iron small altar linens, assemble worship aids, furnish necessary linens and candles to be used at the altar, and raise money to purchase required items for the altar or sacristy.

Grupo de Oración—Spanish

Contact Person: Mario Rodriguez
209.423.7535

This group gathers Mondays in the Choir Room to pray the Rosary, Holy Hour the third Monday of the month, and Fellowship once a month.

Legión de Maria—Spanish

Contact Person: Marcela Gutierrez
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This is a group of lay leaders in our parish. Members meet on a weekly basis where they pray and study our Catholic Faith. They also visit sick people and take them communion.

Virgen Peregrina

Contact Person: Bertha Pimientel
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This group takes a “traveling” Guadalupe statue. They pray the Rosary with the families and leave her for a week.

Formation

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Annulment Ministry

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G When it is time to seek a formal annulment of marriage, we partner with you on the journey. Our training is designed to assist you with the paperwork and details of the process and provide guidance along the way.

Bible Study Groups

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Grupo de Parejas

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Marriage Preparation

Contact Person: Matthew Joseph
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Small Faith Communities / Justicia Brota de la fe

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Irene Killian de Ojeda (Spanish)
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Spanish Formation for Parents

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Spiritual Direction

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Spiritual direction explores a deeper relationship with our spiritual aspect of being human. Simply put, spiritual direction is helping people relate their sacred stories to a confidant. Spiritual direction helps us learn how to live in peace, with compassion, promoting justice, as humble servants of that which lies beyond.

FAITH FORMATION

Annunciation Preschool

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Annunciation Preschool is a licensed tuition based early childhood program that services families and young children in our community. Annunciation Preschool provides a high quality Catholic environment that fosters each child's capacity for learning.

Annunciation School

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The mission of Annunciation School is inspired by the message and teachings of Jesus Christ. We educate the whole child within the Catholic Christian tradition. While maintaining a high standard of academic excellence, we strive to create a safe environment that fosters learning, serving and achieving.

Baptismal Preparation

Contact Person: Yvonne Harrold
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Parents are invited to prepare for the Baptism of their young children under the age of seven. Parents will attend two sessions where they will be engaged in learning and sharing about how to make their children's baptism a truly joyful and spirit filled event.

Sacramental Preparation (English / Spanish)

Contact Person: Liliana Bobadilla
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faithformation@annunciationstockton.org

- Confirmation
- First Communion
- Reconciliation

These preparation classes are provided in a series that are designed to prepare the individual to receive a specific sacrament.

Sunday Faith Formation (English / Spanish)

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The mission of Family Faith Formation is to provide support to children and families that have a desire to grow in faith. The hope of Family Faith Formation is to spark the beginning of a lifelong ongoing faith formation in the families that come to the Cathedral of the Annunciation. Most of all, it is our prayer that families grow in their relationship with God. Family Faith Formation sessions are held on Sunday Mornings. These sessions are for families who would like to prepare their children for Sacraments and for families or adults who would like to learn more about their faith. The sessions follow the seasons of the Church calendar, i.e. Advent, Lent, etc.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

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The RCIA program is the process of formation and celebrations through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith community. This process is also open to people who have been baptized, either in the Catholic Church or in another Christian church, who wish to become fully initiated Catholics. A sponsor (fully initiated Catholic) accompanies each person on this journey.

Children's Catechumenate (Initiation of Children)

Contact Person: Celia Joseph
209.463.1305

Unbaptized children who are seven years old or older participate in an adapted RCIA process that also contains formation and celebrations. This process is also open to children who have been baptized in another Christian church who wish to become fully initiated Catholics. Along with sponsors, parents are intimately involved in this process.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

High Youth Group

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High School Youth Ministry meets three Monday's a month. Every 9th to 12th grade teen is welcome to come and be a part of a loving community to grow together in Christ.

Junior High Youth Group

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Junior High Youth Group meets three Wednesday's a month from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. This group provides a fun environment for 5th to 8th grade students to learn and begin a relationship with Christ.

Outreach

DIRECT SERVICE

Adelante (Tutoring Program)

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Adelante is a supportive ministry in which Hispanic parents are encouraged and empowered to get involved in their children's academic education. Additionally, Adelante provides tutoring for the children of these families.

Sharing Our Daily Bread

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This ministry holds a monthly food drive to assist those persons/families experiencing difficulty with food insecurity. By bringing just one can, one bag of pasta, one box of cereal provides the opportunity for parishioners to put their faith into action. Proceeds are given to Catholic Charities for distribution to those experiencing food insecurity.

PASTORAL CARE

Bereavement Ministry

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The Bereavement Ministry is a caring ministry which provides support to people who are going through the grief cycle. Our goal is also to assist with funeral planning and follow-up outreach.

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Communion to the Sick, Hospitalized and Homebound

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As Eucharistic Ministers we are called to be instruments of God's love to those who receive Communion from us; especially when we bring Communion to those who cannot attend Mass. As a Eucharistic Minister we are more than a delivery service for consecrated hosts. We need to share ourselves with those we visit. We accomplish this through getting in touch with the person, the Communion service itself, a few minutes of neighborly visiting, and the time for an informal blessing and goodbye.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Community Outreach / Civic Engagement

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This ministry offers opportunities for parishioners to become informed, to participate, form conscience and take action. Collaboration with other faith-based organizations in the community unites us as a larger, stronger voice to advocate on issues that affect the quality of life. Some recent and ongoing examples conducted by our Cathedral Social Justice ministry include Interfaith Prayer Walk Against Violence, Vigil of Witness Against Capital Punishment, Voter Registration, Cops 'n Coffee on the Plaza, and fostering the Catholic faith voice in the community.

Respect Life

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Our mission is to protect and defend the most fundamental right of humankind, the right to life of every human being from the beginning of life to natural death.

Restorative Justice (Prison Ministry)

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This ministry conducts group sessions with mainline inmates at DVI prison in Tracy. A “mission” of the Cathedral, those involved in the group process participate in both formal (Justicia Brota de la Fe, Good News People, etc.) and other *programs* that are simultaneously conducted at the Cathedral. Bible study, faith enrichment, and special groups to address both spiritual and personal issues make up the rest of the curriculum. Participants are from the mainline population.

Administration

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication Committee

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The Communications Committee oversees, monitors, publicizes and publishes parish communications regarding parish events and ministries. The committee works with the Communication Coordinator and parish ministries to promote parish information utilizing the bulletin and other printed material, the website, Facebook and all social media representing the parish.

FINANCE

Finance Council

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The Parish Finance Council advises the Pastor on matters pertaining to the financial affairs of the parish. The Council works closely with the Pastor to approve and monitor the annual parish budget, to assure accountability, to develop reports and, in general, to promote the financial health of the parish.

Members are appointed by Pastor.

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FACILITIES

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Contact Person: Jerry Ruiz
209.607.4966

The Buildings and Grounds Committee teams with the parish custodian to help provide for the overall care and maintenance of parish buildings and grounds. Members may volunteer for regular church cleaning, for periodic (seasonal) projects, and may be needed to assist the custodian when setting up for parish events.

Capital Projects Committee

Contact Person: Kevin Dougherty
209.463.1305

The Capital Projects Committee is responsible for assessing the condition and maintenance needs of all parish properties. It obtains contractor names and bids for current projects and works with the Parish Council and Finance Council to develop long term plans for capital improvements projects. Volunteers for the committee should have knowledge of construction and related areas.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Committee

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We are challenged to be disciples of Christ. This involves personal conversion and outreach. We reach out to do the work of Christ in the modern world by sharing our gifts, talents, and treasures to support our parish and community programs. This committee is referred to as stewardship which is discipleship in action.

