

Parish Pastoral Council Vision for Unleashing the Gospel at St. Regis Parish
(April 2018)

In the vision statements and suggested initiatives listed below, the St. Regis Parish Pastoral Council invites the parish to consider ways we might strengthen our parish faith community and embrace the call to be “joyful missionary disciples” in today’s world. Taking the results of a parish-wide survey, of a parish-wide feedback night, and reflecting on the Archdiocese’s vision in *Unleash the Gospel*, the Pastoral Council identified eight key areas of development for the parish. Each area begins with a vision statement and includes a few initiatives that help to further the vision, which surfaced during the process of listening and reflection. We present this vision now to the whole parish. We encourage parish commissions, committees and organizations which are already active to let this vision inspire and guide the work they do over the next few years, using this vision and these initiatives as a guide to what new ministries need to be created or current ministries re-shaped. We encourage all parish members to think about this vision and step forward to champion ways this vision can be implemented.

- A. **Worship:** St. Regis Parish will cultivate deeper spiritual relationships with Jesus and each other so that participation in worship events will be fuller, more joyful, and more energetic.
- B. **Welcoming:** St. Regis Parish will establish a vibrant and welcoming atmosphere for all who enter our community, so they will be drawn to share within our faith family and will know they are a valued part of our faith family.
- C. **Strengthening Bonds:** St. Regis Parish will build a culture where established parishioners experience themselves as members connected to one another in a dynamic Catholic community.
- D. **Faith Formation:** St. Regis Parish will foster awareness of the lifelong responsibility to increase our knowledge of faith to become joyful missionary disciples and share the Good News of the Gospel.
- E. **St. Regis Catholic School:** St. Regis Catholic School is currently in an Archdiocese-wide planning process for all Catholic schools.
- F. **Youth and Young Adults:** St. Regis Parish will create more opportunities to engage youth (up through high school age) and young adults (post-high school, college and post-college) in deeper connections to service, friendship and faith.
- G. **Service and Outreach:** St. Regis parish will provide opportunities for all ages to participate in hands-on service and generous giving both within our parish and the larger community to demonstrate the love and compassion of Christ.
- H. **Resources:** St. Regis parish will inspire parishioners to put God first by dedicating their time and resources to fulfill the mission of the parish.