

# **Holy Savior Catholic Church**



## **Parish Goals and Objectives 2013-2017**

612 Main Street  
Lockport, LA 70374

**HOLY SAVIOR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

Rev. Robert Rogers, Pastor

Parish Vitality Area No. 1: **EVANGELIZATION****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
To bring about in Catholics an enthusiasm for their faith.	1. To organize annual parish activities that specifically involves youth encounters in the church beginning January 2014.		
	a. Create a steering committee consisting of actively participating youth, DRE, parents, and individuals having an interest in youth.	Behind Schedule	A meeting was held at the Life Teen House. Julie and Stacey Gautreaux, Lotty and Kecera Rodrigue, Connie and Ronald Chiasson, Cindy Mire, Karen Charpentier, Annette Arcement and Father Rogers attended the meeting. A second meeting was held; however, nothing has been accomplished.
	b. Determine, advertise and hold a youth activity.	Behind Schedule	
	c. Add at least one active youth representative to the Evangelization Committee.	Behind Schedule	
	2. To witness the faith to active and inactive parishioners by visiting them in their home so that they become more involved in their life of faith beginning January 2015.		
	a. Celebrate an Evangelization Mass on the first Saturday of each month.	Completed	An Evangelization Mass is being celebrated at 8:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month.
	b. Create a prayer team that will offer prayer support to individuals after Mass or within their homes.	Behind Schedule	On the first Saturday of each month in 2014, the Door-to-Door Ministry visited parishioners on specific streets in Lockport to offer support and prayers. The Home Visits Ministry visits the homebound parishioners of our parish.

	<p>c. Distribute save the date postcards to active and inactive parishioners inviting them to the various activities of the Church.</p> <p>d. Develop a program to assist Catholics in speaking with their family members (spouse, children and parents) who are inactive.</p>	<p>Behind Schedule</p> <p>Behind Schedule</p>	
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Parish Vitality Area No. 2: **COMMUNITY****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
To strengthen the sense of community in our parish so that all age groups will feel welcome.	1. To reconnect the church with the school beginning September 2014.		
	a. Have Principal give a report to the Pastoral Council at the beginning and end of each school year.	On Schedule	Mrs. Tricia Thibodeaux addressed the Pastoral Council Meeting on March 19, 2014 and May 21, 2014. The Principal is now a member of the Pastoral Council and gives an update at each meeting.
	b. Have Pastoral Council Member(s) attend monthly Advisory Council meeting to establish lines of communication and report back to Pastoral Council.	Changed	Sue Braniff, a member of the Commission, attends the Advisory Council meetings because of her position with the school.
	c. Have a biannual CCD and Holy Savior School Mass.	On Schedule	A joint Mass was held on September 7, 2014. A joint beginning and ending of school Mass is scheduled for October 18, 2015 and April 3, 2016
	d. Increase awareness of the roles between the church and school activities through a formal committee structure that meets at least twice a year.	Behind Schedule	
	2. To promote youth activities beginning January 2015.		
	a. Organize adult volunteers to work with our youth.	Behind Schedule	
	b. Identify youth leadership to help promote youth activities.	Behind Schedule	

	c. Develop ways to promote participation in Parish and Diocesan activities that will foster a renewed understanding of the Catholic faith.	On Schedule	Our youth participated in the Jr. High Faith Experience on January 10, 2015 and Youth Rally on March 28, 2015.
	3. To promote adult Diocesan activities beginning January 2014.		
	a. Publicize and announce upcoming Diocesan events.	On Schedule	Diocesan events are published in our weekly bulletin.
	4. To promote services to honor our civil servants and deceased parishioners beginning January 2015.		
	a. Celebrate a Mass honoring our civil servants annually.	Behind Schedule	Due to a conflict, the Civil Servants Mass was postponed.
	b. Celebrate a Mass in November for our deceased parishioners annually.	Ongoing	A Memorial Mass was celebrated on November 6, 2013 and 2014.
	5. To host monthly, quarterly and annual socials after Mass beginning January 2016.		
	a. Identify types of social.	On Schedule	Christmas Party and Parish Picnic were identified as the types of socials.
	b. Meet with various ministries to solicit help and identify expectations.	Behind Schedule	A breakfast was served after 7 a.m. Mass on various weekends in the rectory for fellowship. A Parish Celebration was held on May 24, 2014 in honor of Father Brennan Foley. A Mass of Thanksgiving Reception was held on May 2,, 2015 for Father Ephrem. An appreciation celebration for Fr. Rogers' service was held on June 13, 2015.

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Parish Vitality Area No. 3: **STEWARDSHIP****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
To strengthen stewardship in the parish by encouraging members to share their time, talent and treasure.	1. To conduct a time and talent survey of parishioners beginning September 2014.		
	a. Create, administer and compile time and talent survey.	Completed	The Time and Talent Survey was administered on May 3rd and 4th, 2014.
	b. Distribute compiled information to ministries.	Completed	Information was compiled and distributed to chairpersons of each ministry.
	c. Add new members to current ministries or invite interested individuals to ministry meeting.	Completed	New members were called by individual chairpersons.
	2. To host a ministry fair every other year beginning January 2014.		
	a. Establish date of ministry fair, publicize the ministry fair and invite all ministries to participate.	Completed	The Ministry Fair was scheduled for April 25th and 26th, 2015; however, due to inclement weather it was held on May 3rd and 4th, 2015. A flyer advertising the ministry fair was placed in the bulletin for two consecutive weeks. For two weeks at each weekend Mass, a member of the Pastoral Council announced and invited all parishioners to attend.
	3. To develop a volunteer core group of skilled laborers (carpenters, electricians, plumbers) beginning January 2015.		
	a. Using the data compiled from the time and talent survey, create core group.	Completed	Using the data compiled from the time and talent survey, the Cyreneans were formed and are active. The outside of the Church was pressure washed.
	b. Identify areas of our Church that need maintenance.	Completed	A Facilities Management Committee was formed and has identified the needs of Holy Savior Parish.

	<p>4. To explore options of establishing electronic tithing beginning January 2016.</p> <p>a. Contact Jeremy Becker and other parishes for suggestions.</p> <p>b. Study different options and choose option best suited for Holy Savior.</p> <p>c. Explain to parishioners through bulletin insert, letter mail outs, and/or verbal explanation before Mass the electronic tithing option chosen and how it will be implemented.</p>	Ongoing	This goal has not been addressed.
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Parish Vitality Area No. 4: **SERVICE****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
To implement works of charity and justice to meet the needs and be of service to the community.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To establish social justice activities including food, clothing, and toiletries distribution beginning January 2016.</li><li>c. Heighten awareness to contribute to those in material need beginning September 2015.</li><li>d. Find another source of revenue in order to support social ministry beginning January 2015.</li><li>e. Invite and educate new members to volunteer for social ministry beginning January 2016.</li><li>f. Identify families in need of help.</li></ol>	<p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>Promoted the Social Ministry and its activities through the bulletin and solicited items for the needy from parishioners.</p> <p>Additional sources of revenue to support social ministry have been identified. These sources include private donations, Holy Thursday collection, religious store, St. Joseph Altar, KC Auxiliary and Woman's Club.</p> <p>Through the Ministry Fair, the Social Ministry has eight new members.</p> <p>Parishioners contact Social Ministry when immediate needs are evident.</p>

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Parish Vitality Area No. 5: **LEADERSHIP****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
To better communicate parish happenings with parishioners.	1. To redesign and publish the weekly bulletin beginning March 2013.		
	a. Determine program that will be used to create bulletin.	Completed	Microsoft Publisher is used to create the weekly bulletin.
	b. Choose format and begin publishing.	Completed	The format has been determined and the new weekly bulletin is being published in house.
	2. To create a program that will recognize the efforts of parish ministry volunteers beginning January 2014.		
	a. Each week highlight a different ministry and recognize the ministry at weekend Masses.	Ongoing	A schedule has been developed where each ministry will be recognized at weekend Masses. See attached sheet.  The first ministry was highlighted in the bulletin and at Mass on May 23 <sup>rd</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2015.
	3. To design a website that will update parishioners in the areas of our goals and objectives as well as ongoing activities in the parish beginning January 2015.		
	a. Using the data compiled from the time and talent survey, identify and contact individuals who possess the skills necessary to create and update a webpage.	Completed	On the time and talent survey, no one indicated that they were interested in creating and updating the website.  Mr. Gerard Leonard graciously accepted and created our website.
	b. Determine information to place on website.	Completed	The information for the website was determined and gathered. A website was created and is online for Holy Savior.

	c. Keep accomplishments of goals and objectives updated on website.	Completed	The Goals and Objectives with the completion status have been placed on the website as of 7-15-2015.
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Parish Vitality Area No. 6: **WORSHIP****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
<b>Goal A:</b>  To increase participation in liturgical celebrations.	4. To utilize families in bringing up the gifts which will lead parishioners to a better understanding of this meaningful participation beginning July 2014.		Families of children in the sacramental years will be asked to volunteer to bring up the gifts at weekend Masses. When a ministry is being highlighted at Mass, the members will be bringing up the gifts.
	g. Publicize the need for parishioners to participate in bringing up the gifts.	Behind Schedule	
	h. Allow parishioners to sign-up for weekend Masses in the vestibule of the Church.	Behind Schedule	
	i. Have ushers ask families to participate if no one has signed up for that particular Mass.	On Schedule	Presently the ushers either as a family to bring up the gifts or the ushers bring up the gifts.
	5. To increase the numbers of lectors participating at every Mass beginning January 2015.		
	a. Using the data compiled from the time and talent survey, contact those individuals who indicated that they were interested.	Completed	On the time and talent survey, no one indicated that they were interested in becoming a lector. Five new individuals signed up as being interested in becoming a reader at the Ministry Fair.
	b. Contact Holy Savior School Staff and ask if anyone is interested in becoming a lector.	Completed	A letter was sent to Holy Savior School asking teachers if they were interested in becoming a lector.

<p>Goal B:</p> <p>To enhance liturgical celebrations.</p>	<p>c. Offer a lectors workshop for interested individuals as well as new and present lectors.</p>	Behind Schedule	<p>On the time and talent survey, no one indicated that they were interested in becoming a music minister.</p> <p>At the ministry fair, five individuals signed up to be part of our music ministry.</p>
	<p>1. To offer a blend of contemporary and traditional hymns beginning January 2015.</p>		
	<p>a. Add contemporary music to binders.</p>	Behind Schedule	
	<p>b. Ask the music ministers if they are willing to learn one new contemporary song a month.</p>	Behind Schedule	
	<p>c. Using the data compiled from the time and talent survey, identify new music ministers.</p>	Completed	
	<p>d. Implement a quarterly night of adoration and praise and worship.</p>	Behind Schedule	

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Parish Vitality Area No. 7: **WORD****STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW****June 2015**

GOAL STATEMENT	PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION	STATUS	COMMENTS
To deepen our knowledge of Christ and His church through expanded opportunities of instructions of the faith.	6. To offer bible study within the parish beginning September 2014.		
	j. Determine the number of bible study/small Christian Communities and individuals participating.	Completed	It was determined that we have a Men's Prayer Group, a Small Christian Community and an Armada Prayer Group.
	k. Choose Biblical program, determine instructor and determine dates and number of classes.	Behind Schedule	
	7. To offer adult formation classes beginning January 2015.		An Adult Christian Education Ministry was formed and is currently working on developing the topics and dates.  Fr. Rogers offered a class on Catholicism on Thursday nights.
	a. Offer annual presentations on the Catechism of the Catholic Church; its usefulness, its contents, and its purpose beginning January 2015.	Behind Schedule	
	b. Determine format, number, and dates of presentations.	Behind Schedule	
	c. Advertise presentation in the bulletin, on the website, and through announcements at the beginning of Mass.	Behind Schedule	

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