

Catholic Community of St. Odilia

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Dear Parishioners,

We would like to update you about the progress of the action teams that were formed as a result of the feasibility study conducted last fall regarding the potential parish expansion.

Design Team

The Design Team examined the preliminary concept plan presented in the feasibility study last fall and established priorities for the expansion components based on the input received and the needs of our ministry areas. While we cannot finalize the design until we know what we can afford, team members have worked to balance the various redesign components with potential funding. Their work is ongoing.

Finance/Development Team and the PLC Executive Committee

The Finance/Development Team and the PLC Executive Committee both approved moving forward with the expansion project and that involves retaining outside counsel to work with the parish on a pre-campaign planning assessment. Due to the complexities of conducting a successful assessment and campaign, it is a recommended best practice that we retain professional campaign counsel. We have hired the Steier Group, an Omaha, Nebraska-based development and fundraising company that has served parishes in our area. More information will be coming about the Steier Group and its role in assisting us with our expansion plans.

Mission and Vision Team

We are pleased and excited to inform you that the parish has a new Mission, Vision and Values statement, which was approved at the June Parish Leadership Council meeting. The Mission and Vision team spent countless hours reviewing input from various studies the parish has conducted over the years, including the most recent feasibility study. Team members interviewed members of Ministry Area Councils, parish staff, Fr. Rask and parishioners. The final Mission, Vision and Values statement can be found on the back of this letter. This Mission, Vision and Values statement defines our guiding principles and provides a direction for the future of the St. Odilia community. We encourage you to read and embrace it.

If you have any questions, please reach out to a member of the Parish Leadership Council.

We would like to thank all of the parishioners who have worked diligently and contributed their time and expertise to these teams!

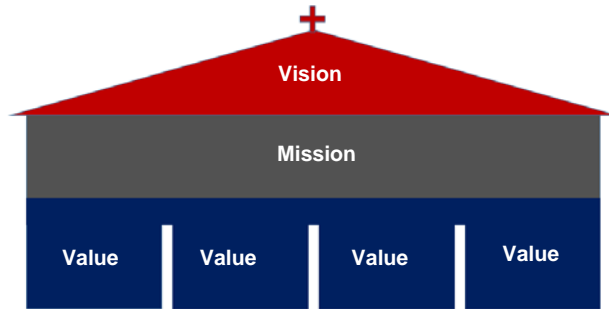
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The Catholic Community of St. Odilia



VISION

To joyfully live the Gospel by knowing, loving and serving God and one another.

MISSION

We are a Catholic community of faith that welcomes every person to grow in holiness and draw closer to Jesus Christ through...

- ✠ Worship and Evangelization
- ✠ Faith Formation and Education
- ✠ Works of Charity and Justice

... every day and at every stage of life.

VALUES

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we engage with one another through:

Faith and Prayer	Compassion and Community	Stewardship and Generosity	Joy and Gratitude
We grow closer to God and each other through worship, sacraments, and spiritual growth.	As modeled by Jesus, we foster a culture of caring.	We commit to sharing our time, talent, and treasure to be Christ for one another.	We welcome God's loving gifts and challenges, joyfully giving thanks and praise.