



Diocese of Gary  
Most Reverend Donald J. Hying  
**Notre Dame – Michigan City**  
Reverend Keith McClellan, Pastor

**Ecclesial Area:**

**Evangelization**

**SMART Goal:**

Improve communication with the congregation and visitors beginning with a revitalized weekly church bulletin by August 2018.

**Priority:**

COME—Welcome All

**SMART Goal Rationale:**

Notre Dame Parish will cultivate the spirit of welcome to all associated with our Catholic faith community, the invested, the inquiring, and those on the margins.

**Ecclesial Area:**

**Evangelization**

**SMART Goal:**

Establish a five-person welcoming committee; develop a "welcome packet," and offer weekly fellowship by the start of the 2019 liturgical year (December 2, 2018).

**Priority:**

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**SMART Goal Rationale:**

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**Ecclesial Area:**

**Sacraments**

**SMART Goal:**

Improve weekly family worship and encourage fellowship among school families by increasing the frequency of scheduled school family masses to once per month starting with the 2018-2019 school year.

**Priority:**

GROW—Foster Parish Faith Formation

**SMART Goal Rationale:**

Notre Dame Parish will establish more opportunities for parishioners to engage in activities which strengthen the Catholic faith in our families, parish, school, and community.

**Ecclesial Area:**

**Sacraments**

**SMART Goal:**

Establish small groups for faith sharing and scripture study for Advent (November, 2018) and Lent (February 2019) to grow together in community and enhance the life of the parish.

**Priority:**

GROW—Foster Parish Faith Formation

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**Ecclesial Area:**

**Stewardship**

**SMART Goal:**

Engage our Sunday Visitor (OSV) stewardship program in March 2018.

**Priority:**

GIVE—Promote a lifestyle of self-giving

**SMART Goal Rationale:**

Notre Dame Parish will encourage and train parishioners to embrace a discipleship lifestyle generous with contributions of time, talent, and treasure.

**Ecclesial Area:**

**Stewardship**

**SMART Goal:**

Recruit 25 additional volunteers into the various ministries (Eucharistic ministers, lectors, children's liturgy, choir members, greeters, ushers, gift bearers, collection counters) by September 1, 2018.

**Priority:**

GIVE—Promote a lifestyle of self-giving.

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