



Diocese of Gary
Most Reverend Donald J. Hying
St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Knox
Reverend Stephen Loncar, Pastor

Ecclesial Area:

SMART Goal:

Priority:

SMART Goal Rationale:

Evangelization

The number of parishioners participating in parish ministries will increase by at least one member per ministry, per year, starting in June 2019 and for the next three years.

Faith in Action

Our faith should be alive and visible to others.

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An outreach committee will minister to the elderly shut-ins, and anyone who feels disconnected from the parish by making at least one visit or contact with person in need 30 times per year.

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Discipleship

An average of six families will participate in parish-sponsored family life activities provided every other month starting in July 2018, increasing by one family per year for the next three years.

Family, Faith and Life

Strengthen life in the parish through marriage, parent, and family engagement and pro-life awareness.

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Marriage and Family

Six married couples of all ages will participate in a one-day retreat involving prayer, games, speakers, and fellowship thus strengthening their commitments to each other, increasing participation by one couple for each of the next two years

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Young Catholics

At least five students in confirmation classes will choose liturgical roles or other active roles within the parish to participate in after confirmation

Retaining youth after confirmation.

Create a faith environment that promotes continuous growth and participation in the Catholic faith.

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50% of confirmed students will support the parish by contributing through the use of their envelopes. This number will increase by 10% each year for three years.

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