

2. ORGANIZING OUR PLANNING

1. What does our parish hope to gain from the planning effort? What do we need and want to learn? What is the purpose and desired outcome for our planning?
How will we know if we are “there” yet?

2. What are the key values that should guide our planning effort?

3. Whose voices, thoughts, ideas do we need to hear?

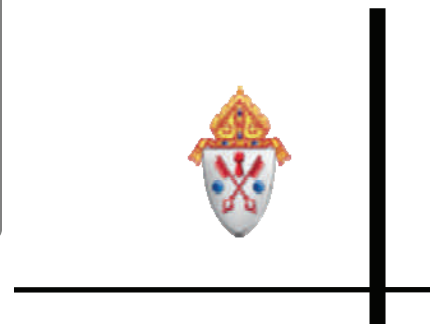
_____ Registered members of the parish

_____ Those who attend Mass regularly

_____ Certain percent of parishioners (how to select?)

_____ People in certain groups (i.e., age, family status, culture, special interest)

Other:



4. Which listening processes will we use, and in what sequence? Reasons for our choice?

_____ Historicizing; Reasons:

_____ Survey; Reasons:

_____ Interviews; Reasons:

_____ Community Meeting; Reasons

_____ Focus Groups; Reasons:

_____ Other – describe and give reason:

5. Special Studies (which of the following would be helpful?)

Type of assessment	Y/N	Person, Group Assigned	Target completion
Demographics: Parish			
Demographics: Local Area			
Facilities			
Finances			
Ministries/Staffing			
Other:			

6. What is our projected schedule for completing this round of planning?

a) Start Date:

b) Groundwork, team formation: (Months 1-2)

c) Listening Process/Investigation: } (Months 3-5)

d) Special Studies/Scavenger Hunt: }

e) Analysis/Re-calculate (what have we discovered?) (Months 6-8)

f) Writing/Publishing the Plan (Travel Blog) (Months 9-10)

g) Ongoing Implementation, Evaluation, Where do we go from here? (Ongoing)

Sept 2013	Jan 2014	May 2014	Sept 2014
Oct 2013	Feb 2014	June 2014	Oct 2014
Nov 2013	Mar 2014	July 2014	Nov 2014
Dec 2013	Apr 2014	Aug 2014	Dec 2014

