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2023 - 2024 MINISTRY GUIDE



OUR MISSION

Empowered by the Eucharist, we humbly commit ourselves as a welcoming community to grow in faith and share Christ's love through our joyful witness and selfless stewardship.



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Dear Most Precious Blood Family

Here we are again, a new liturgical year. It is also that time of the year when the liturgical color changes to purple. The purple is our invitation to welcome grace into our lives in new ways. It is a time to prepare the way for the Lord. It is a time of opportunity, the opportunity to give of ourselves and witness how Christ blesses us with new life.

What does it mean to have faith? Oftentimes, when we think of faith, we think of it as an intensity of belief. We might think that if we want the Lord to do more in our



life we need to somehow believe *more* or believe in God harder. This past year, praying with the story of Abraham and Isaac, I was given some fresh perspective. Abraham is known as "the father of Faith," and so if any stories might give us new insights with regards to faith, this is likely to be one of them. Abraham goes up the mountain ready to sacrifice everything in his devotion to God. God pulls the knife back and Abraham hears the words, "Do not lay your hand on the boy...Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." God didn't want the sacrifice Abraham was willing to make, however, what the Lord did want was to see Abraham not withhold anything. That is faith, not withholding anything from God. As we consider what commitments we should make this year, perhaps we should start there: Are there areas in my life where I have been withholding from the Lord?

Faith is much more than an intensity of belief in a similar way that we might say that love is more than a feeling. It is a theological virtue. My seminary professor made it clear to us that if something is considered a virtue that means it is something we can practice. Faith is something we can do.

We are beginning a new liturgical year. It is time to pray about our commitments, and how we will strive to serve God and our community. How will we strengthen our life of prayer? How will we serve? How will we use our gifts? Abraham renamed the site where he had this encounter with God Yahweh-yireh, "on the mountain the Lord will see." The Lord then told Abraham that because God saw Abraham not withhold anything, "I will bless you abundantly." Let us offer new gifts to the Lord this year, from all areas of our lives. Let us do some acts of Faith, with confidence that God will respond.

As always, on behalf of myself, Fr. Glenn, and the parish staff, we love you, pray for you, and look forward to another exciting year of journeying together.

In Christ,

Father Josh

Stewardship

Stewardship is an incredibly simple concept: It's the realization that everything we have, including our lives, is a gift from God. In response to these wonderful gifts, we give everything we have, even our lives, back to the Lord. Good stewards are disciples who make conscious decisions to follow Jesus and to commit their very selves to the Lord. Like the widow who dropped two small coins into the Temple treasury, Jesus wants us to give Him everything we have. (Mark 12:41-44)



Being involved and connected with each other in parish life at Most Precious Blood and the greater community is a blessing. As disciples, it helps us grow in our love of our Lord Jesus Christ by sharing our faith, our time and our talents. Our parish has many ways to encounter, connect with and serve others while using our gifts, as God intended for us to do.

The following pages include ministries and opportunities that can help us Reach Wide, Grow Deep, Share Blessings and Seek Unity as we accompany one another into a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ.

How will you share the gifts and blessings God has given you?

Jesus calls us to be missionary disciples...

to come and follow him and actively share in His mission. Sitting back and quietly doing the minimum required of our faith is not enough. It never was, and never will be. Jesus calls us to action and involvement. Now is the time. The Lord is calling you to help build His Kingdom. Right here. Right now. So take this book and look through it. Pray about it. Think about it. Discuss it with your family and friends and make the decision to give something a try. There is something for every type of interest, for every amount of time.

How is the Lord calling you to serve?

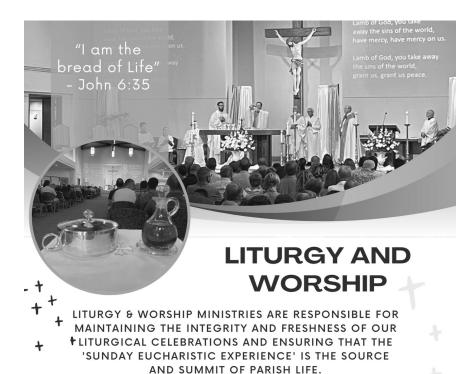
In your search for the right ministry, don't limit yourself to just one specific area. Sometimes an opportunity looks great on paper, but the reality is quite different. Try to visit ministry events and get a feel for what they are like. Pray to the Lord for guidance and reach out to the ministry leader or staff liaison for that area of parish life if you have specific questions about one or more ministries.

How to find the right Ministry?

There are numerous ministry opportunities available. The key is to find a ministry that you would enjoy and are capable of doing. It's also important to make sure that your commitment matches what that ministry calls for. The following questions can help you discern:

- Do you prefer to serve alone or as part of a team?
- Are you better behind the scenes or do you prefer to take a more visible role?
- How much time are you willing to commit?
- ~ How much responsibility are you ready to take on?
- ~ What skills and experiences can you share?





ALTAR SERVERS

Altar Servers help serve in liturgy by taking part in processions, attending to the Priest at Mass and at other parish liturgies.

Who: Youth having completed Fifth grade and at least 11 years old, who have received their Baptism and First Communion.

Responsibilities: Assist the priest with the celebration of Mass and other liturgical celebrations to ensure that the liturgy runs smoothly and efficiently.

Time: Approximately one Mass per month as assigned; plus, initial training and ongoing formation.

Talent: An ability to be attentive and reverent at Mass, dependability and punctuality.

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AUDIO VISUAL PRESENTATION MINISTRY

The A/V & Sound ministers balance the sound in the room, run the slide projections, record homilies during our weekend celebrations.

Who: Anyone of High School age and up.





Responsibilities: Arrive early for Mass to ensure the system is running, review the slides, and check in with the music director. Advance the slides as they are needed during the Mass, and record homilies and special celebrations.

Time: Typically twice a month along with another minister.

Talent: A passion for assisting

with the liturgy through operating sound and visual equipment, as well as, computers.

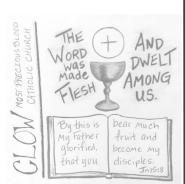
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CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD- CLOW

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is an opportunity for children, ages 4-7, to listen to the Sunday readings at their level and learn how to engage and participate in the Mass. Children are dismissed, with adult leaders and teen

helpers, after the collect (opening prayer) and return to their families at the offertory. Adults are encouraged to help lead the children in prayer, and youth in 6th grade and above are encouraged to become assistants, giving an example of faithful participation in the Mass.

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION GUARDIAN



"God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar."

- St. Maximilian Kolbe

Eucharistic Adoration is the adoration of Jesus Christ truly present in the Eucharist (Blessed Sacrament). During a time of Adoration, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in a special vessel called a

Monstrance, and people come to worship Jesus through prayer, song, or reverent silence. Eucharistic Adoration is offered on the First Friday of each month from 10 am (immediately following 9:15 am Mass) until 7 pm, unless noted. Individuals and families are encouraged to come and spend time before the Lord in the Holy Eucharist. Eucharistic Adoration Guardians are required for each hour that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed to ensure Our Lord is never left alone. For more information please visit

www.oviedocatholic.org/adoration

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"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth."

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC)

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the Priest with the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ. If you wish to be considered, please contact the Parish Office to complete the required form.

Who: Adults and youth 16 & older. Catholic in good standing who has received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation).

Responsibilities: Respectfully assist the Priest in the distribution of the Eucharist during Mass.

Time: As assigned; initial training and ongoing formation sessions. Ministers will be contacted by the ministry facilitator and scheduled to serve. Depending on Mass selection, ministers usually serve 3 Masses within a two-month period.

Talent: Love and reverence for the Eucharist; ease in public settings.

Special Requirement: Diocesan training, local parish training and Safe Environment Training (SET). All volunteers will need to complete SET which consists of a 25-minute video and successful completion of an on-line questionnaire. Staff Liaison: Chris Hernandez **chernandez@oviedocatholic.org**

GREETERS

The purpose of the Greeter's Ministry is to provide a welcoming atmosphere to the parish community. Greeters play a special role by welcoming parishioners into the celebration which is about



to take place. Their warm smile and friendly "Hello!" set the tone for the Eucharistic Celebration..

Who: All ages are welcome to participate.

Responsibilities: Greeters provide a warm welcome to our parish and assist with questions and provide information at the welcome table. Greeters are asked to arrive 20-30 minutes prior to Mass.

Time: Commitment level can vary from one Mass per weekend to one Mass per month. Greeters will be contacted by the ministry facilitator and scheduled to serve on an as needed basis.

Talent: Friendly and outgoing, willingness to embrace and welcome all who come to share in our celebrations. Staff Liaison: Chris Hernandez chernandez@oviedocatholic.org

LITURGICAL ARTS & DÉCOR

The Liturgical Arts & Décor Ministry is responsible for creating a beautiful environment in the Parish Life Center and Chapel for liturgies...especially during Christmas and Easter.

Who: Adults and High School Youth.

Responsibilities: Volunteers are asked to help with the setting up for celebrations. We need volunteers who are willing to sew, iron and help create a prayerful atmosphere.

Time: Varies depending on seasons.

Talent: Attention to detail, creativity, and a willingness to serve. Staff Liaison: Chris Hernandez <u>chernandez@oviedocatholic.org</u>





MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound is a ministry founded in the Church's rich tradition of pastoral care meant to reach those unable to participate in the Church's life due to hospitalization, suffering from the effects of illness, disability, or the aging process.

Who: Catholic in good standing who has received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation). A commissioned Eucharistic Minister at least 18 years of age.

Responsibilities: Ministers to the Sick assist Priests in bringing the Eucharistic presence of Christ and His Church to parishioners unable to participate in the Church's life through prayer, sacrament, and pastoral presence. Ministers to the Sick conduct weekly Communion Services at several local nursing and assisted living facilities. Home and hospital visits to parishioners are provided as needed.

Time: Varies depending on assignment and minister availability (can range from an hour a month to two hours a week).

Talent:

Compassionate, caring, and loving, willingness to serve the sick and the elderly.



Special Requirements for Ministry to the Sick: Ministers to the Sick are trained and certified lay men and women of the parish who have made a serious commitment to the pastoral care ministry and make a powerful witness to the love and care of God. Fingerprinting/Safe Environment Training (SET). The Diocese of Orlando requires all those 15 years and older to be fingerprinted and complete a background check to ensure the safety of all. In addition to fingerprinting all volunteers working with children and vulnerable populations will need to complete SET which consists of a 25 minute video and successful completion of an on-line questionnaire.

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MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry directs the liturgical music within our weekly Sunday Masses and various other celebrations. We have a collective goal to lead people to Christ through prayer and song.

Who: Adult Choir- ministers regularly at the 5:00pm, 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 noon (Spanish) & 5:30pm Masses. Youth Choir (High School)- sings once a month; Mass times vary. Spanish Choir- ministers regularly at the 12 noon Mass.

Duties: Lead the congregation in song and praise and encourage musical participation by everyone present.

Time: In order to improve the quality of our music every week, we organize rehearsals focusing on two major groups: instrument and vocalists. All members of the choir are asked to attend a mandatory weekly rehearsal and arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the Mass in which they are scheduled to participate.

Talent: Choir- A clear voice and a good ear. *Instrumentalists*: Previous training and experience.

Cantors- A skilled solo voice; a deep sense of prayerfulness and reverence for the assembly's sung prayer; a warm and inviting manner.

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READERS (Lectors)

Readers help to share God's word by proclaiming the Scriptures at liturgies.

Who: Adults and youth 16 & older, Catholic in good standing who has received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation).

Responsibilities: Ensure that the Scripture readings are proclaimed in such a way as to prompt careful examination and prayerful listening by the assembled faith community.



Time: Approximately one Mass every month as assigned; initial training; ongoing formation; personal time spent in study and reflection on the Word.

Talent: A love for God's word and a desire to study it more deeply; a clear speaking voice; an ease speaking in front of people; dependability.

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SAVANNAH COURT

Once a month Most Precious Blood celebrates Mass at Savannah Court for its residents.

Responsibilities: Assist the wheelchair bound and those with walkers and canes as they come to Mass.

Who: All are welcome to participate.

Time: Mass at Savannah Court is celebrated on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Mass begins at 9:30am. Please arrive at least 45 minutes prior to Mass to help assist the elderly.

Talent: Compassion and kindness are the two most important requirements to partake in this ministry.

Special Requirements: Fingerprinting/Safe Environment Training (SET). The Diocese of Orlando requires all those 15 years and older to be fingerprinted and complete a background check to ensure the safety of all. In addition to fingerprinting all volunteers working with children and vulnerable populations will need to complete SET which consists of a 25 minute video and successful completion of an on-line questionnaire.

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Ushers provide a comfortable spiritual environment for parishioners to worship. Ushers will assist with seating, the offertory, Communion and the distribution of the bulletin.

Who: Adults and High School Youth. (15 years and up) Responsibilities: To provide a comfortable spiritual environment, assist with seating, the offertory, Communion and the distribution of the bulletin, as well as be attentive to visitors and those with special needs.

Time: Commitment level can vary from one Mass per weekend to one Mass per month. Ushers will be contacted by the ministry facilitator and scheduled to serve. Ushers are asked to arrive 20-30 minutes prior to Mass and remain until the last person exits.

Talent: An outgoing and warm personality; an ability to see Christ in all people; dependability; desire to assist others and contribute to the smooth operation of the Mass.

Special Requirements: Local parish training and Fingerprinting/Safe Environment Training (SET). The Diocese of Orlando requires all those 15 years and older to be fingerprinted and complete a background check to ensure the safety of all. In addition to fingerprinting all volunteers will need to complete SET which consists of a 25-minute video and successful completion of an on-line questionnaire.

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EVANGELIZATION MINISTRIES ENSURE THAT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH IS PROMOTED AND THAT INTERESTED PERSONS ARE PROPERLY INVITED AND WELCOMED INTO OUR COMMUNITY.





ADULT ENRICHMENT STUDIES

Adult Enrichment Studies enable parishioners to join together and grow in faith and fellowship through lifelong formation. We do this by studying and exploring both the Bible and the teachings of our Catholic faith. Gathering in groups provides the opportunity to grow in trust, learn along with other parishioners, and grow as disciples. These gatherings help foster a familiar and personal group setting. Adult Enrichment Study groups are held in the comfort of a parishioner's home who has volunteered to be the host home. Studies and groups are available to parishioners college age and older.

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ADULT FORMATION

Welcome to the basics of the faith! There are several opportunities for continued education and spiritual growth in the Catholic Faith for adults. The Catholicism 101 Sessions are offered at different times throughout



the year. Please see our parish website or bulletin for upcoming session dates. Bring a family member, friend, neighbor; all are welcome! There are also (weekly) daytime and evening Breaking Open the Word sessions sponsored by Men's Fellowship to review the upcoming Sunday's readings. Staff Liaison: Donna Scimeca dscimeca@oviedocatholic.org

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Perhaps due to family transitions, moves, or any other situations, you were unable to receive this Sacrament of Initiation as a youth. This Confirmation preparation class is for all parishioners **college age and older**. Sessions take place on Monday evenings usually beginning in January and registration is necessary to participate in this class. A current copy of your Baptismal certificate is needed for registration. Contact the parish office for more information.

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ANNULMENTS

An annulment is a declaration by the Catholic Church that after careful investigation, shortcomings were discovered in the relationship that prevented it from becoming a marriage. It does not "erase" the civil contract, and it does not render the children illegitimate. It merely states that after thorough investigation, the Church has declared that a marriage, as the Church understands marriage, was not valid. Throughout this process a Priest and our Annulment Advocate assists and ministers to divorced members within our parish community. The annulment process involves prayer, sharing, gathering information, and healing. Annulment Advocates educate and encourage the person as they guide and assist them through the annulment process. If you are interested in finding out more about the annulment process please contact our Annulment Advocate at the Parish Office to schedule an appointment. Staff Liaison: Donna Scimeca dscimeca@oviedocatholic.org

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Baptism is a Sacrament through which we begin our initiation into the Church. Parents wishing to have their child baptized into the Catholic Faith need to attend a Baptism Preparation class, and be a registered and participating member of our parish showing Mass attendance for at least 3 months. Parents and godparents (if local) will also need to attend our Baptism Preparation class and complete paperwork. Please contact the Parish Office to begin the process.

Staff Liaison: Donna Scimeca dscimeca@oviedocatholic.org

BAPTISM SEWING

Are you gifted with the talent of sewing? At Most Precious Blood we sew our own Baptismal Cloths that are given to the children at their Baptism. Our cloths are made from the same material as the linens on the Altar and the embroidered cross on the cloth is also the same as the cross on the Altar



linens. We are in need of both sewers for the cloth and/or embroiderers for the cross. All material and embroidery thread is supplied. Our sewers pray for each child as they sew the Baptism cloths. Parents know that before their child was born, they were prayed for by our team of sewers. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Staff Liaison: Donna Scimeca <u>dscimeca@oviedocatholic.org</u>

BAPTISM TEAM

Our Baptism Team assists families on the day of Baptism. The team member arrives before Mass to set up the seating and materials for the family. They greet the family upon their arrival and review with the parents and godparents the Ritual and responses. Training is provided for all team members. Baptisms

are celebrated the first weekend of the month and our team volunteers sign up to assist at the Mass they typically attend on that weekend if they are available. This is a joyful ministry as team members get to assist a family that is having their child baptized into the Sacramental life of the Catholic Church! Contact the parish office for more information.

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BECOMING CATHOLIC: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



RCIA is the process by which the Catholic Church welcomes new members into the community of the faithful! It is available to individuals who are interested in the process of becoming Catholic and seeking

sacramental initiation into the Catholic Church. The process is divided into various periods that respect and support the individual's faith journey. Participants attend weekly sessions and experience the life of the community through participation in Liturgical Rites, shared faith, and Catholic

beliefs. For adults and children over the age of 7 who have never been baptized, the process leads to the completion of the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist – at the Easter Vigil. Those baptized in another Christian faith



make a Profession of Faith and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist through a Rite of Reception into Full Communion at various times throughout the year. Adults who were baptized in the Catholic Faith but have not been catechized are fully initiated and receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation with the Bishop. Anyone who has a desire to become Catholic can inquire for this process.



Individuals can be those who have never been baptized, persons baptized in another Christian faith, or baptized Catholics who have not received any other sacraments. The Inquiry Period is the informal beginning of the Christian Initiation process. This time enables the Inquirer to ask questions about the faith and discern if this is where God is leading them at this time in their life.

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RCIA REFRESHMENT MINISTRY

Each week in the Christian Initiation Process (RCIA) individuals seeking to learn more about the Catholic faith meet to study the teachings of the Catholic Church while they discern their desire and calling to become Catholic. During these sessions a break time is scheduled for refreshments and some social time. Parishioners are needed each week to provide snacks and refreshments for our sessions. Won't you consider helping by bringing the gift of hospitality once a month to our wonderful group as these incredible individuals walk their journey of faith? **To** volunteer, watch the bulletin for announcements or go to the parish website and respond through the link to the Sign Up Genius.

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RCIA SPONSOR MINISTRY (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sponsors play a crucial role in the Christian initiation process as they guide and mentor Catechumens and Candidates seeking to become Catholic. They are called upon throughout the process to give testimony to the progress and readiness of the participants. Sponsors serve as



a guide and connection between the participants and the parish community. They assist a Catechumen or Candidate by accompanying them along their faith journey through the different periods of the RCIA process.

- A Sponsor must be at least 16 years of age and a fully initiated Catholic, having received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Each sponsor must be an active, practicing Catholic in good standing and if married they must have celebrated the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony in the Catholic Church.
- Sponsors attend weekly sessions along with Catechumens and Candidates to help reinforce the Catholic faith and traditions. The role of a sponsor is to become familiar with the stages and periods of the Christian Initiation process, commit to daily prayer for the person they are sponsoring, and to help draw that person into the life of the parish. Contact the parish office for more information.

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CURSILLO

Cursillo is an encounter with Christ 'movement' dedicated to spreading the Word of God and helping people form a closer relationship with Jesus. The goal of Cursillo is that Christ be the prime influence in Society. The Cursillo Movement employs a method that emphasizes the importance of a balanced life of piety, continued spiritual study, and action. This "invitation" weekend retreat will change your life. For more information or to register for a retreat, visit our website-www.oviedocatholic.org/evangelization

HISPANIC MINISTRY

El Ministerio Hispano brinda ayuda para atender las necesidades de nuestros feligreses que hablan español, a la vez que apoya la vida de la parroquia. El Ministerio Hispano coordina y lleva a cabo diversas oportunidades durante todo el año con el fin de ayudar a



nuestra comunidad hispana a crecer en Cristo. Estas actividades incluyen la Dia de Reflexión o Misión en español, la Misa del Divino Niño, la Misa de la Virgen de Guadalupe, la Celebración de las Santas Patronas (la Santa Virgen patrona de cada país), el Vía Crucis. Las Siete Palabras, y nuestra Hora Santa de Adoración.

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MEN'S BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible)

Whether you are a new or re-committed follower of Jesus Christ, BYOB is for you! No previous bible study experience or knowledge is necessary. This group meets in the evening, to unpack the Scripture Readings for the upcoming Sunday Mass. Join us any time. This is a great opportunity to get to know other men in the parish, and to grow in the Word. Look for meeting dates and times in the parish bulletin or website.

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MEN'S MORNING SCRIPTURE

Join the men of the parish early mornings to 'Break Open the Word' and reflect on the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. Check out the bulletin or our parish website for meeting and contact information.

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (Blood Brothers)

Our Men's Fellowship Ministry, known as the Blood Brothers, promotes spiritual and social growth by providing service in support of the Parish. All men of the Parish are encouraged to participate. General meetings and dinner are held quarterly and service projects are coordinated throughout the year as well as social events. Men's Fellowship typically hosts the parish's Pancake Breakfast, Lenten Fish Fry, and Family Golf Tournament.

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MOST PRECIOUS WOMEN

Our Most Precious Women Ministry promotes the spiritual and social growth of all women in the parish by providing service, prayer and support to the parish community. The ministry is available to all women and meetings are held periodically. The mission of Most Precious Women is to assist the women of the parish by providing spiritual, social, and service opportunities throughout the year. Please watch the bulletin, visit our parish website at oviedocatholic.org or sign up at

<u>mostpreciouswomen@gmail.com</u> to receive the quarterly email newsletter for any upcoming events.

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PRAYER PARTNERS

Prayer Partners pray for the intentions of the parish community each evening in prayer. Requests can be made through our website www.oviedocatholic.org/need-a-prayer. Anyone can participate as we lift in prayer the intentions of our parish community. We are also in need of volunteers to email out the prayer requests each evening. This is done on a rotating basis approximately one week per month.

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RETREATS & MISSIONS

The spirituality of our parish community is nourished during the year, especially during Advent and Lent, through various retreats, parish missions, and Days of Reflection. For each event a team of parishioners is formed to assist with the retreat, mission, or day of reflection as



well as facilitate the day's event and provide spiritual support. Staff Liaison: Donna Scimeca **dscimeca@oviedocatholic.org**



ROSARY MAKING MINISTRY

Learn the skill of making rosaries for various groups, missions and organizations throughout the US and other countries. Both Adults and Youth are

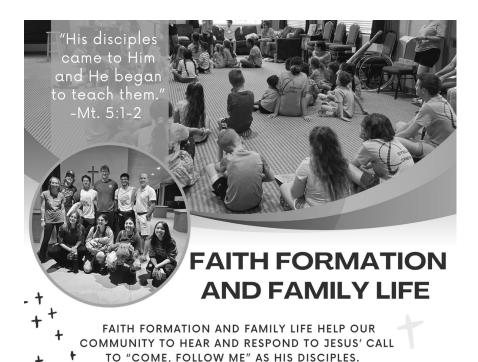
welcome. Supplies are provided through the facilitator and the group meets twice monthly.

Meetings begin with prayer, and are used to package rosaries being sent out, as well as, to teach rosary making. The key aspects of each meeting are camaraderie and friendship. Materials can also be brought home and worked on separately.

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ROSARY PRAYER MINISTRY

Come join us to pray the Rosary! Whether you're a veteran or just beginning your journey of faith, we would love for you to share your devotion to our Blessed Mother with us. We pray the Rosary every Wednesday morning after daily Mass. Rosary Beads and prayer booklets are available to follow along if needed. Call the Parish Office, check our Website's online calendar, or check the Bulletin for specific dates and times. Staff Liaison: Donna Scimeca dscimeca@oviedocatholic.org



CATECHISTS, ASSISTANT CATECHISTS, & HELPERS

Catechists and assistant catechists help others deepen their knowledge of Jesus, grow in their love of Jesus, and faithfully follow Jesus in their daily lives. Helpers usually work outside the classroom in various capacities throughout the year. Any adult can become a catechist or assistant catechist. High school youth can be assistant catechists and helpers. Training is provided throughout the year.

Requirements: Prospective catechists and assistant catechists must be actively living their Catholic faith, eager to learn more about it, and willing to share it. In addition, anyone 15 years and older who works with

children must go through the Safe Environment training and fingerprinting process mandated by the Diocese of Orlando.

Catechists and assistants spend about 90 minutes in the classroom per week. In addition, they spend time in prayer and study to prepare for each session.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org



CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Children's Faith Formation provides children and youth in Kindergarten through High School with an ongoing opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ and grow in relationship with Him and the Catholic Church. Using an approved curriculum, catechists help the participants deepen their knowledge of Jesus, grow in their love of Jesus, and faithfully follow Jesus in their daily lives. Sessions meet weekly during the school year, typically beginning in August/September. Registration begins in May.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler **fstadler@oviedocatholic.ora**





COMMUNITY EVENTS

Most Precious Blood is all about Communion and Community! Throughout the year our parish offers events such as the Feast Day Fun Fest, Celebration of Cultures, Family Golf Tournament, and others as opportunities for people of all ages to gather in fellowship and grow in friendship with one another. Keep an eye out for these events and participate as an attendee and/or a helper. Join us by checking the bulletin, our social media, and our parish website **oviedocatholic.org** for scheduled events.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler <u>fstadler@oviedocatholic.org</u>



FORMATION FAMILY

CULTURE OF LIFE

Culture of Life is committed to upholding the life and dignity of the human person in all aspects and all stages. This ministry in particular addresses Beginning of Life, Bioethics, Faithful Citizenship, Death Penalty, End of Life, Disabilities, and Human Trafficking. This is accomplished through our Annual Baby

Bottle Fundraiser, Annual Display of Crosses for Life, Guest Speakers, Quarterly Information Tables, Disability Awareness, Political Action Alerts, and participation in March for Life. Events are held periodically throughout the year. Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler

Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org



FOREVER YOUNG SENIOR MINISTRY

Forever Young Senior Ministry creates a supportive community in which we learn from and help each other in our journey to age well through companionship, practical support, service to

others, and spiritual growth. This ministry is comprised of older adults who are engaged in life and eager to keep learning, making friends, growing spiritually, and using our wisdom and life experiences to serve others. Our Ministry plans social, spiritual, and service



activities throughout the year for older adults. Upcoming events are listed in the bulletin under the Community Area of Parish Life. Please watch the bulletin and parish website, oviedocatholic.org for further details.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

High School Youth Group meets weekly on Sunday evenings. Through fellowship, group games, small group interaction and large group teaching, we explore many topics of our Catholic faith. In addition, we meet one Thursday evening a month for faith-based discussion. Throughout the year, we offer retreats, leadership roles, volunteering opportunities and mission trips. If you want to grow deeper in your relationship with the Lord and connect to people your age that share your faith then this group is for you! Details of upcoming events are printed in the bulletin and are available at oviedocatholic.org/youth

Staff Liaison: Shannon Zahn szahn@oviedocatholic.org



"You too, dear young people, can be joyful witnesses of His love, courageous witnesses of His Gospel, carrying to this world a ray of His light."

-Pope Francis

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HOUSEHOLDS OF FAITH

Households of Faith is dedicated to promoting the Sanctity of Marriage and Family Life. This is accomplished through small group studies, marriage enrichment programs, guest speakers, monthly catechesis dinners, fellowship and a Family

Campout. Households of Faith seeks to help married couples, and their families, to grow in faith as they come to know and love God through the Sacrament of Matrimony, as well as provide support and healing for those who have experienced divorce. Our goal is to support and strengthen families in our



parish, helping them to become living witnesses of Christ's love for His Church (Ephesians 5:29-32).

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler <u>fstadler@oviedocatholic.org</u>

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

"A wedding is a day...a marriage is a lifetime." Our parish follows the guidelines set forth by the Diocese of Orlando for preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage. The first step in preparing for marriage is to contact the Parish Office. Please allow at least six months to complete the marriage preparation process. Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org



MASS & MEAL for Catholic Campus Ministry at UCF

We have 'adopted' Catholic Campus Ministry at UCF and we offer a welcome home to our local college students. Parishioners prepare or purchase food items which are served to the UCF students by volunteers from our parish. CCM Mass & Meal provides a meal after Mass on scheduled days when classes are in session. Any parishioner who is willing to help prepare/provide food or serve is welcome to participate as they are available. Contact the parish office for more information.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

Our middle school faith formation program allows middle schoolers (grades 6-8) to form friendships, learn about the Catholic faith, and grow as disciples of Jesus Christ in a dynamic and engaging way. Through large group activities, games, small group discussion, and prayer, each youth will come to know the love of God in Jesus Christ and be invited to follow Him as His disciple in the Catholic Church. Sessions meet weekly during the school year, typically beginning in August/September. Registration begins in May. Staff Liaison: Shannon Zahn szahn@oviedocatholic.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL NIGHTS

We meet one Saturday evening a month for food, fellowship and fun. All parish middle schoolers (grades 6-8) are invited to attend. Details of upcoming events are printed in the bulletin and are available at **oviedocatholic.org/youth**



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN

The desire to fruitfully receive the Sacraments grows out of lived relationship with Jesus Christ in the context of the Catholic Church. The period of sacramental preparation builds on the foundation of Faith Formation. After some discernment, parents are encouraged to present their children/youth for preparation to receive Reconciliation, Eucharist, or Confirmation in their second year of Faith Formation. Retreats and preparation sessions are in addition to weekly Faith Formation sessions.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler <u>fstadler@oviedocatholic.org</u>

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Confirmation

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation begins when parents and their youth have discerned an openness to live for Jesus Christ in the world. At Most Precious Blood, preparation for youth is a two-



year process, with the sacrament being received in the



second consecutive year of enrollment (typically in the eighth grade). In addition to Faith Formation sessions, candidates for Confirmation participate in a retreat and catechesis sessions that focus on celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation and living as a disciple of Jesus Christ in

the world. The Bishop schedules the date for the parish celebration of Confirmation.

Reconciliation and Eucharist

Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist begins when the parents have discerned that their child is able to choose between right and wrong (usually around seven years-old). During the two periods of preparation (one for each Sacrament), at least one parent/guardian accompanies the child/youth to sessions and retreats that focus on celebrating the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist for the first time and living it out for the rest of their lives. First Reconciliation is usually received at the end of the fall, and First Eucharist is usually received at the end of the spring. Preparation for these sacraments is a two-year process, with the child receiving the sacraments in the second consecutive year of enrollment.





ST. ANN MOTHERS FELLOWSHIP

We are a ministry of mothers with children from conception to kindergarten sharing time in fellowship and fun. The group helps cultivate a support system of mothers within our parish and greater community by participating in social and spiritual activities. We bring mothers together to nourish the love we each have for our families while learning about ourselves as Christian women. Please join us!

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) HELPERS

VBS Helpers are those interested in sharing the excitement of your faith, bringing youth to relationship with Jesus, in a Vacation Bible School setting. All materials and supplies are provided for the event.

Who: Middle and High School Youth as well as Adults.

Responsibilities: Assist with the

development and growth of the children of the parish. No experience is necessary to fill these roles. Opportunities for involvement include group leader and assistant leader, station leader and assistant.

Time: Commitment varies depending on involvement level.

Talent: Works well with children, artistic, creative, any and all talents are welcome!

Special Requirements: Fingerprinting/Safe Environment Training (SET). The Diocese of Orlando requires all those 15 years and older to be fingerprinted and complete a background check to ensure the safety of all. In addition to fingerprinting all volunteers working with children and vulnerable populations will need to complete the safe environment training. Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler **fstadler@oviedocatholic.org**







VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This weeklong scripture-based summer program is an exciting way for elementary school children to learn about their faith. They sing songs, play teamwork-building games, share tasty treats, experience





interactive Bible adventures, and create fun crafts to take home and use all summer long. The children bring what they learn home through daily challenges to celebrate Jesus' love, and participate in community

outreach projects to share that love with others in need. Volunteer opportunities are available for adults, high school and middle school students.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler <u>fstadler@oviedocatholic.org</u>



VOCATION BLESSING CUP

The Vocation Blessing Cup's purpose is to inspire a greater awareness of God's call within our community. Families who

host the Vocation Blessing Cup are asked to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, as well as for those who already serve the Church. If you would like more information or are interested in hosting the Vocation Blessing Cup, please email Frances Stadler at fstadler@oviedocatholic.org.

Staff Liaison: Frances Stadler fstadler@oviedocatholic.org





COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRIES HELP SHARE THE GOOD NEWS WITH OUR PARISH COMMUNITY AND BEYOND! IN KEEPING WITH THE RICH TRADITION OF SHARING OUR FAITH THROUGH WITNESS AND STORIES, WE TEACH, INFORM AND INSPIRE PARISHIONERS AND THE GREATER COMMUNITY ABOUT THE SPIRITUAL TRUTHS OF DISCIPLESHIP, STEWARDSHIP, THE WORK OF OUR PARISH, AND ITS PLANS FOR THE FUTURE.

COMMUNICATION EVENTS

Our Communication Events are events that happen in the City of Oviedo in which we participate to share the Good News and invite the community to our Parish. We typically participate in Taste of Oviedo (March) and Great Day in the Country (November).

Who: All.- Great Ministry for Families

Time: Twice a year (March and November).

Talent: Love for Evangelization and share knowledge of our Parish . Staff Liaison: Martha Donovan **mdonovan@oviedocatholic.org**

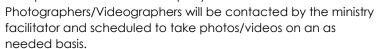


PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEOGRAPHY

Photographers/Videographers enjoy taking photos and/or videos at our Parish Events and Sacramental Celebrations.

Who: We encourage all ages to participate.

Time: Varies depending on projects. Commitment level can be from one hour per month to one event per year.



Talent: Love for photography and/or videography.

Staff Liaison: Martha Donovan mdonovan@oviedocatholic.org

SOCIAL MEDIA @oviedocatholic







The digital world of social media is now one of the many ways we can spread the Gospel message. If you are interested in spreading the Gospel through social media, you can start by liking & following Most Precious Blood on all our Social Media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Help us reach wide and bring the good news of the Lord to those on the internet.

Staff Liaison: Martha Donovan mdonovan@oviedocatholic.ora



SPANISH TRANSLATORS

Spanish Translators assist in translating various materials such as



bulletins, brochures, worship aids, website, etc. from English to Spanish. Must be proficient in both English and Spanish, have an e-mail address, and be skilled in using Microsoft Word.

Staff Liaison: Martha Donovan mdonovan@oviedocatholic.org

SAINT GABRIEL MINISTRY (Graphic Design)

The Saint Gabriel Ministry assists in the areas of communications such as graphic design, and website graphics. Volunteers assist in giving of their time and talent to assist with information outreach efforts.

Who: We encourage Middle School and older to participate.

Time: Varies depending on projects.

Talent: Knowledge and skill in either graphic design, marketing, or website design and is interested in spreading the Good News of the Gospel and our Parish Life.

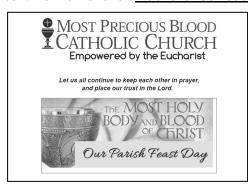
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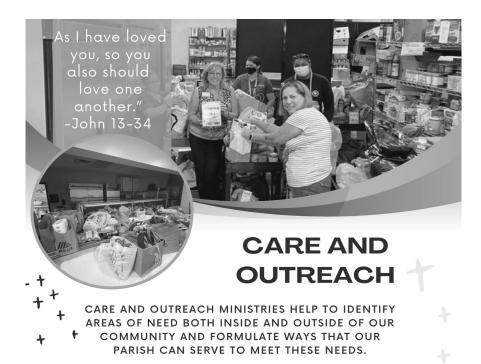


PARISH E-NEWSLETTER

Are you interested in receiving news and updates about our parish through e-mail? Then sign up for our parish weekly email newsletter. Visit our website at **www.oviedocatholic.org** or contact the Parish Office so sign up.

Staff Liaison: Martha Donovan mdonovan@oviedocatholic.org





CARING COOKS MEAL MINISTRY

Caring Cooks Meal Train provides meals to the sick and homebound, to families that recently experienced a death or a hardship that makes life more difficult for them.

Who: All may participate.

Responsibilities: Prepare meals for families in need and deliver them if possible.

Time: I hour per week to I hour per month, depending on need.

Talents: If you can cook, have a kind heart and a willingness to serve

this is the ministry for you.

Staff Liaison: Joe D'Aulerio <u>idaulerio@oviedocatholic.org</u>





COMMUNITY SERVICE MINISTRY Sharing Blessings of Time and Talent

During the year our Parish is very active helping many different organizations within our community. This includes food drives, Blood drives, and school supplies drives. Also, our traditional Advent tree angels to support local charities and families during the Christmas season. In the Lenten season, we support missions and local non-profit agencies by sharing our time, talent, and treasure. This ministry supports annual Care & Outreach functions, as well as, one-time special requests or circumstances that might come up in the community and at the parish. We also offer Bright Futures opportunities to volunteer in the community.

Who: All may participate.

Responsibilities: Each project will require a limited amount of time with tons of gratification.

Time: Varies based on assignment but individuals will be able to decide the level of participation.

Talents: the desire to help others in need. If you have a special talent or skill we will find a place for you.

Special Requirements: Varies based on the project. Staff Liaison: Lillian Izaguirre <u>idaulerio@oviedocatholic.org</u>





"Holiness does not consist in doing extraordinary things,

It consists in accepting, with a smile,

what Jesus sends us, it consists in accepting

and following the will of God."

-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

The Ministry of Consolation participants provide support to the family of a recently deceased member at the funeral Mass. The parish office assists with the planning of the funeral. The parish offers yearly presentations on grief and elder care are offered to educate our parishioners on end of life issues.



Responsibilities: Ministry participants help organize and prep the funeral Mass, All Souls Mass, and Christmas tokens to past funeral families. The parish office plans and organizes funeral services, meets with the families, and helps families cope with the loss of a loved one.

Time: The funeral Lead and ministry participants prep and attend the funeral Mass (1.5 -2 hrs). The parish office spends 1 hour when meeting with the family to plan the funeral rite. Time commitment will vary depending on the need.

Talents: Ministry participants should be able to listen, show compassion, and have a caring and understanding heart.

Special Requirements: Training classes for the Ministry of Consolation are offered by the Diocese of Orlando. The parish office will also provide individual training with team members. The Diocese of Orlando requires all lead volunteer participants in this ministry to be fingerprinted and complete a background check to ensure the safety of all.

Staff Liaison: Lillian Izaguirre <u>lizaguirre@oviedocatholic.org</u>





* STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES HELP DISCIPLES RESPOND
TO GOD'S LOVE THROUGH LIVING A LIFE OF JOYFUL
STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY BY
ENCOURAGING THE DISCERNMENT OF GOD'S GIFTS
*AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION THROUGH THE SHARING
OF TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE.

ECO WELLNESS MINISTRY

(Embracing Christ Outdoors)

ECO Wellness Ministry helps to connect us with God in the most basic of ways...through outdoor physical activity and becoming good stewards of God's gift of nature.

Who: All are welcome to participate.

Responsibilities: Being good stewards of the environment.

Time: Hiking, paddling, and other events are posted in the bulletin and

on the website. Participation is open to everyone!

Talent: Outgoing, friendly, and an appreciation of the outdoors.

Staff Liaison: Joe D'Aulerio **idaulerio@oviedocatholic.org**



HOSPITALITY / FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

The Hospitality and Fellowship Ministry welcomes new and not so new parishioners to Most Precious Blood. We give them an overview of our parish and community life and strive to address questions by referring and directing accordingly. The Hospitality Ministry also organizes





and hosts a Welcome Brunch periodically. All can participate. Great ministry for families. Responsibilities, based on preferences include, support Hospitality needs at all events and celebrations, and assisting in the periodic newcomer events,

including our Welcome and Information Counter on the Front Porch and our Newcomers Brunch. The time commitment involved is 1-2 hours per month. If you are outgoing, friendly, cooking talents appreciated, approachable, and welcoming attitude this is a wonderful ministry for you!

Staff Liaison: Martha Donovan mdonovan@oviedocatholic.org

OFFICE HELPERS

Office Helpers are essential to the parish and help office staff in completing time sensitive projects in a timely manner. We call on our office helpers when help is needed. If you are able to help with various office tasks and have a cheery disposition,



this is a great way to get involved and get to know people.

Who: All adults.

Responsibilities: Be welcoming to others and handle miscellaneous projects from stuffing the bulletin, prepping for Faith Formation, addressing outgoing mail, etc. Training and support is offered from the parish staff.

Time: Volunteers are called upon in an as-needed basis for big projects.

Talent: Warm, friendly personality and willingness to help. Staff Liaison: Maria Bahr **mbahr@oviedocatholic.org**

Our Stewardship Prayer

Generous and loving God, I give thanks to you for the gifts you have given memy life, my family, my friends, my faith and all my talents and treasures. All that I have comes from You. Help me to remember this and rejoice in your goodness. Walk with me, my God. Help me on my spiritual journey, so that I may constantly renew my relationship with you and all the good people of our parish and in our community. Renew me in your Spirit. Give me the strength and courage to become a better follower of Jesus. to be His Disciple. Help me to hear your call to "Come, Follow Me." What I do for others, I do for You. I give you glory, my God, as I make stewardship a way of life. In Jesus' name, I pray.

Amen

ABOUT US

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,

12:00 Noon (Spanish), 5:30 PM

Daily Mass 9:15 AM (Monday-Friday)

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Monday	8 AM - 5 PM
Tuesday	8 AM - 5 PM
Wednesday	8 AM - 4 PM
Thursday	8 AM - 5 PM
Friday	8 AM - 3 PM



Tuesday/Thursday	after Daily Mass
Saturday	3:30-4:30 PM

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish	office	.407-365-3231
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Funerals

Please call the Parish Office407-365-3231

Mass Intentions

Please call the Parish Office407-365-3231

Parish Office Hours

Monday	10 AM - / PM
Tuesday-Thursday	10 AM - 5 PM

Friday10 AM - 3 PM

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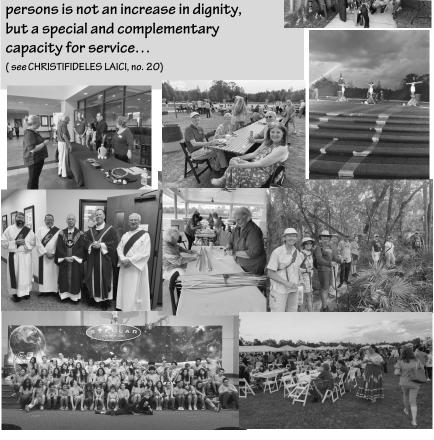
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"A member of the lay faithful..."

..."can never remain in isolation from the community, but must live in a continual interaction with others, with a lively sense of fellowship, rejoicing in an equal dignity and common commitment to bring to fruition the immense treasure that each has inherited.

The Spirit of the Lord gives a vast variety of charisms, inviting people to assume different ministries and forms of service and reminding them, as he reminds all people in their relationship in the Church, that what distinguishes persons is not an increase in dignity, but a special and complementary capacity for service...





Empowered by the Eucharist

Merciful Father you gather to yourself a people and form them into one body, one spirit in your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that your parish, empowered by the Eucharist and renewed in the Holy Spirit, may grow in faith and share Christ's love through joyful witness and selfless stewardship to the praise and glory of your name.

Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.