



Listening & Dialogue Small Group

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Theme 1: Prayer and Sacraments

We desire:

- To support those undertaking sacraments of initiation
- To share Christ's love
- To have opportunities to regularly celebrate the sacraments as a parish
- To emphasise joy in our parish celebrations
- To have opportunities for adoration, praise and worship outside of the mass
- To include all in our celebrations including those using the crying room



Theme 1: Prayer and Sacraments

Practical ideas we thought of:

- Evening mass 1 day a week (Tuesday 7pm)
 - Early mass 1 day a week (6.30am)
 - Confession before/after Tuesday 7pm mass
 - Include St Michael's prayer at the end of mass
 - Time for the rosary as a parish – before mass
 - Use the church AV for the Sunday readings
 - Saint of the day included in bulletin/AV screen
 - Crochet padded cushion competition for the church
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Theme 2: Formation

We desire:

- To have regular catechesis in the parish
- To be substantially formed both within and outside mass
- To journey with others in the parish
- To have opportunities for parish retreats
- To provide appropriate formation for our children, teenagers and young adults



Theme 2: Formation

Practical ideas we thought of:

- Promote small groups for accompaniment
 - Promote mentorship as learning from each other
 - Initiate movie nights with discussion
 - Theology on tap (at the Lapstone Hotel)
 - Employ a parish coordinator to facilitate parish formation
 - Better utilise the street notice board
 - Create parish library of resources
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Theme 3: Joy and Mission

We desire:

- To be outward looking
- To minister to the margins
- To be Christ-centred
- To be joy-filled
- To have opportunities to regularly celebrate and gather outside the mass
- To identify and promote a focuess parish mission
- To engage with all parishioners



Theme 3: Joy and Mission

Practical ideas we thought of:

- Expanding the ministry of home visitations – particularly to the elderly
- Celebrating particular feast days (e.g. St Finbar's Feast) with a big parish celebration
- Mandating a parish-wide smiling policy
- Holding an annual parish outreach / ministries / mission expo
- Theology on Tap at the Laptstone Hotel
- Parish library – a space for a coffee and resources