

# ASCENSION COMMISSIONS

Ascension Parish utilizes a commission structure to advance our parish mission statement which is “Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples.” This structure was adopted as a result of a parishioner survey conducted in late 2017. Commissions were formed to increase laity participation, implement new ideas and coordinate activities. The commissions are: Engagement, Liturgical Life, Stewardship, Faith Formation, Social Justice, Education, and Evangelization. Each commission has developed a Charter Document outlining their priorities and goals.



Since their inception, the multiple commissions have accomplished the following:

- New ministries such as Greeters that welcome parishioners at every Mass
- New events added such as Winterfest, Ask the Padre, Blessing of Animals
- The Spiritual Gifts Inventory workshop – an opportunity to discover your strengths and thereby determine the best way to serve our parish
- An increase in the variety of music at the Masses to include the addition of contemporary music with Connor Steinhart at the 10:45 and 5:30 Masses
- Addition of a Children’s Liturgy at 10:45 Mass - this was previously just offered at 9:15
- Increased transparency of the Parish’s finances, monthly giving updates, and communication of needed capital improvements
- Improved communications with a new look for the Sunday bulletin and a quarterly distribution of upcoming activities
- A new evangelism training and leadership series, “The 99” Masterclass

More Information about all the commissions can be found on our parish website and in the Ministry and Organization Directory which is included in your new parishioner packet. If you have questions or would like to get involved in any of the various commissions, please email [commissions@ascensionchesterfield.org](mailto:commissions@ascensionchesterfield.org).