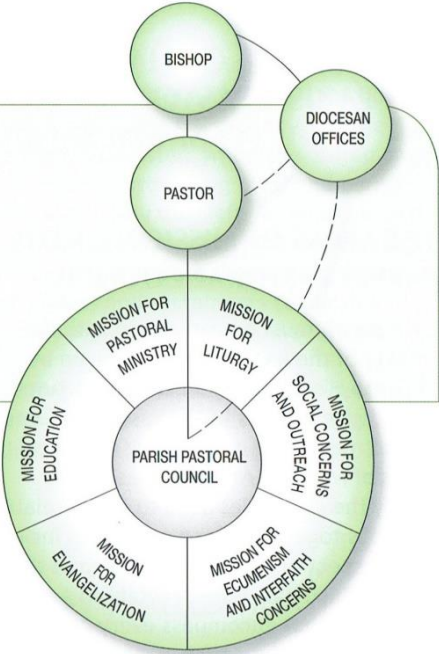


# Pastoral Council Missions Leaders and Ministries – August 2025

Pastoral Council	
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	1. Evangelization	Katharine Detwiler
	2. Education	Anne Smith
	3. Pastoral	Christina Almony & Paula Koch
	4. Liturgy	Vacant
	5. Social Concerns & Outreach	Vacant
	6. Ecumenism & Interfaith Concerns	Ceci Pleitez
	7. Temporal Goods and Stewardship	Vacant

## Notes:

- Current Mapping of Ministries based on 2023 Pastoral Council By-Laws and recommendations from the Diocese Guidelines for Pastoral Councils along with current ministry updates.
- The Past and Possible New Ministries listed are not all inclusive and may need to be modified, deleted, added, or reallocated.

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## 1. Evangelization Mission Ministries

**Purpose:** This area of mission is constantly seeking new ways to reach out to others with the Message of God's Love. Evangelization is the primary goal of the Pastoral Council and has two major thrusts: 1) Spiritual renewal, by which those who profess faith in the Gospel are drawn to more clearly reflect that believe in their actions, relationships and lives; 2) outreach, whereby ways are sought to share the faith with others including Catholics who do not practice their faith and those who practice no faith.

<b>Legend:</b>	♣ <b>Active Ministry</b>	⊕ <b>Past Ministry</b>	❖ <b>Possible New Ministry</b>
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Faith Enrichment	Fellowship	Parish Prayer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Faith Enrichment Offerings</li> <li>♣ Parish Missions &amp; Retreats</li> <li>♣ Vocation Ministry</li> <li>⊕ Legion of Mary</li> <li>❖ Outreach to Inactive Catholics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ That Man is You (TMIY)</li> <li>♣ St. Rita Prayer Group (Women's)</li> <li>♣ Seven Sisters (Women's)</li> <li>♣ Book Club "Joy Beyond Words"</li> <li>♣ Patricians</li> <li>⊕ Regnum Christi (Women's)</li> <li>❖ Marriage Enrichment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Good Shepherd Adoration Chapel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapel Dean</li> <li>• Adorers</li> <li>• Communications</li> <li>• Housekeeping</li> <li>• Librarian</li> <li>• Maintenance</li> <li>• Spirituality</li> <li>• Treasure</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>On-Line Faith Enrichment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ FORMED.org</li> <li>♣ Evangelization.com</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Catholic Young Adults of York (Ages 18-39) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Theology on Tap</li> <li>• Young Couples Ministry</li> <li>• Prayer Penance Pub</li> <li>• Faith Enrichment</li> <li>• Social Gatherings</li> <li>• Retreats</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Rosary Ministries</li> <li>♣ Prayer Chain - Deanery</li> </ul>
<b>Overall Parish Ministry Coordination</b>		

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## 2. Mission of Education Ministries

**Purpose:** This area of mission includes all parish activities that are directed to the formation of its members, both children and adults. The parish faith formation program, youth ministry programs, adult religious formation programs, including the Order of Christian initiation of Adults and Children are all areas of concern.

<b>Legend:</b>	♣ <b>Active Ministry</b>	⊕ <b>Past Ministry</b>	❖ <b>Possible New Ministry</b>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Family Faith Formation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Pre-K Family Faith Program</li> <li>♣ K-6 Grade Family Faith Program</li> <li>♣ 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Faith &amp; Confirmation Preparation Program</li> <li>♣ Vacation Bible Camp</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sacramental Preparation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Baptism</li> <li>♣ First Eucharist</li> <li>♣ Confirmation</li> <li>♣ Marriage Preparation *</li> <li>♣ Mentoring Engage Couples *</li> <li>♣ Order of Christian initiation of Adults *</li> <li>♣ Order of Christian Initiation of Children *</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Adult Formation *</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Bible Study *</li> <li>♣ ChristLife Ministry *</li> <li>♣ Discovering Christ</li> <li>♣ Following Christ</li> <li>♣ Sharing Christ</li> <li>♣ Resources *</li> <li>♣ Parish Library</li> <li>♣ Lighthouse Catholic Media</li> <li>♣ Strategic Planning</li> <li>♣ Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI)</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Youth Ministries</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Middle School (Grades 6-8)</li> <li>♣ High School (Grades 9-12)</li> <li>♣ Knights of Holy Temple (High School)</li> <li>♣ Daughters of the King</li> </ul>		

\*Per 2023 Revised By-Laws, Moved from Faith Enrichment under Evangelization to Education

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## 3. Pastoral Ministries

**Purpose:** This area of mission fosters a sense of belonging among the members of the parish. The programs, ministries and activities strengthen and support the parish as a Community of Faith.

<b>Legend:</b>	♣ <b>Active Ministry</b>	⊕ <b>Past New Ministry</b>	❖ <b>Possible New Ministry</b>
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Homebound Ministry	Ministry of Caring& Support	Parish Life
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Extraordinary Ministers:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homebound</li> <li>• Hospital- York &amp; UPMC</li> <li>• WellSpan Surgical &amp; Rehab</li> <li>• Nursing Homes/Rehab                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rest Haven</li> <li>• Spirit Trust</li> <li>• York View</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>❖ Meal Outreach</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Cards &amp; Letters Ministry</li> <li>♣ Shut In Visitors – Semi Active               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Divorced &amp; Separated Support Grp</li> <li>❖ Bereavement Ministry</li> <li>❖ Transportation</li> </ul> </li> <li>⊕ Adopt-a-Family               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Military Support Group</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Funeral Ministry</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Funeral Luncheon Committee                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Support Funeral Masses &amp; Families</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Coffee and Donuts Hospitality (On-Hold)</li> <li>♣ Parish Annual Picnic</li> <li>♣ Knights of Columbus</li> <li>♣ Columbiettes (St. Rose of Lima)</li> <li>⊕ Simple Suppers (Lent)</li> <li>♣ Parish Communications               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Social Media</li> </ul> </li> <li>♣ God's Vineyard</li> <li>♣ Social Committee</li> <li>⊕ Welcoming Committee</li> <li>⊕ Nursery</li> </ul>

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## 4. Liturgy Ministries

**Purpose:** This area of mission is to nourish and give direction to the liturgical and worship elements of the parish. To ensure vibrant and various liturgical celebrations that build up a prayerful community of believers and demonstrate excellence in worship.

<b>Legend:</b>	<b>♣ Active Ministry</b>	<b>⊕ Past Ministry</b>	<b>❖ Possible New Ministry</b>
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<b>Devotions</b>	<b>Pastoral Music Ministries</b>	<b>Liturgy Support Ministries</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Divine Mercy Sunday</li> <li>♣ All Souls Remembrance</li> <li>♣ First Friday Devotions</li> <li>♣ 40 Hours Devotions</li> <li>⊕ Healing Prayer Service</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Adult Choir</li> <li>♣ Cantors</li> <li>⊕ New Spirit Ensemble</li> <li>⊕ Parish Children's Choir</li> <li>⊕ Cherub Choir</li> <li>⊕ Teen Choir</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Liturgy Committee</li> <li>♣ Altar Servers</li> <li>♣ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</li> <li>♣ Lectors</li> <li>♣ Ushers</li> <li>♣ Laundering of Altar Linens</li> <li>♣ Angel Care – Sanctuary &amp; Church</li> <li>♣ Church Decorating &amp; Flower Care</li> <li>♣ Collection Counting</li> <li>♣ Live – Streaming Masses</li> <li>❖ Greeters</li> <li>⊕ Sacristans</li> </ul>

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## 5. Social Concerns and Outreach Ministries

**Purpose:** Calls us to go forth beyond the walls of our church building and be “salt and light” in our neighborhoods and communities. We do this by providing direct service to those in need, as well as encouraging participation of parish members in the apostolic work of the Church. This Mission also considers those issues that demand our concern in order that the dignity and rights of each person may be preserved.

<b>Legend:</b>	<b>♣ Active Ministry</b>	<b>⊕ Past Ministry</b>	<b>❖ Possible New Ministry</b>
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<b>Respect Life</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Women’s Care Center</li> <li>❖ Protect &amp; Defend Life from Womb to Tomb</li> <li>❖ Natural Family Planning</li> </ul>	<b>❖ Peace and Justice Group</b> Empower people by teaching them skills and by convening groups to draw on their own resources and talents to develop and implement plans for solving personal and community problems.	<b>Outreach</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♣ Catholic Harvest Food Pantry</li> <li>♣ Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen</li> <li>♣ St. Vincent de Paul Society</li> </ul>
<b>❖ Social Concerns Mission</b>  Develop a strong educational program that will inform parishioners about the human needs of people as well as educate them on social justice issues. Social justice teaching implements the justice dimension of our faith tradition (scripture, encyclicals, pastoral letters) into all areas of parish life.	<b>❖ Items for Consideration as listed in Diocese Guide:</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Advocacy Programs for Housing Assistance</li> <li>❖ Clothing Drives</li> <li>❖ Drug and Alcohol Programs</li> <li>❖ Legislation Advocacy</li> <li>❖ Migrant Workers Assistance</li> <li>❖ Operation Rice Bowl</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Prison Ministry</li> <li>❖ Projects for World Hunger</li> <li>❖ Shelters</li> <li>❖ Thrift Shops</li> <li>❖ Urban Ministry</li> <li>❖ Third World Missions</li> <li>❖ Clothing/Blanket Drives</li> </ul>

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## **6. Ecumenism and Interfaith Concerns** **Mission is Currently Being Formed**

**Purpose:** This area of mission encourages unity and understanding within the Christian family and reaches out to non-Christians who share with us a belief in God.

<b>Legend:</b>	❖ This is a new Mission being Formed
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### ❖ Ecumenical and Interfaith Outreach

#### **Goals:**

- Formation of a St. Patrick parish Ecumenical and Interfaith Cooperation mission.
- Formation of local LARC covenants with Lutheran and Episcopal parishes in York.
- Parish participation in the national Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18 – 25, 2020).
- Parish participation in ecumenical prayer services with other Christian churches during Lent, Advent and Thanksgiving, and other times as appropriate.
- Parish participation in non-Catholic ministries to the poor in York (Crispus Attucks, LifePath Christian Ministries (formerly York Rescue Mission), etc.)

#### **Interconfessional Dialogues (Centro Pro Unione) – dialogues with other Christian churches**

[http://www.prounione.urbe.it/dia-int/e\\_dialogues.html](http://www.prounione.urbe.it/dia-int/e_dialogues.html)

#### **Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religions (Nostra Aetate) Proclaimed By His Holiness Pope Paul VI on October 28, 1965**

[https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist\\_councils/ii\\_vat\\_ican\\_council/documents/vat-ii\\_decl\\_19651028\\_nostra-aetate\\_en.html](https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vat_ican_council/documents/vat-ii_decl_19651028_nostra-aetate_en.html)

### **Cornerstones of Ecumenical and Interfaith Concerns, and Diocesan and Vatican resources:**

#### **LARC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic Covenant, a Covenant among:**

- ✓ The Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania
- ✓ The Lower Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- ✓ The Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg  
<https://www.hbgdiocese.org/about/diocesan-offices/ecumenical/larc-covenant/>
- ✓ The Upper Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

#### **Decree on Ecumenism (Unitatis Redintegratio)**

[https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist\\_councils/ii\\_vat\\_ican\\_council/documents/vat-ii\\_decree\\_19641121\\_unitatis-redintegratio\\_en.html](https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vat_ican_council/documents/vat-ii_decree_19641121_unitatis-redintegratio_en.html)

#### **Directory for the Application of Principles and Norms on Ecumenism, Vatican, March 25, 1993**

<http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitaristiani/en/documenti/testo-in-inglese.html>

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## 7. Temporal Goods And Stewardship

**Purpose:** This area of mission is concerned with all the temporal issues regarding the functioning and flourishing of the parish.  
For example, finance, buildings, property needs, maintenance planning, Time and Talent, stewardship appeals, etc.

<b>Legend:</b>	<b>♣ Active Ministry</b>	<b>⊕ Past Ministry</b>	<b>❖ Possible New Ministry</b>
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<b>Building and Maintenance</b> ♣ Parish Facility Care ⊕ Capital Improvement Committee ♣ Physical Improvement Committee ♣ Long Range Planning	<b>Time and Talent Treasure</b> ♣ Time and Talent Survey ❖ Stewardship Committee	<b>Financial Treasure</b> ♣ Financial Council ♣ Diocesan Annual Campaign ❖ Parish Tithing
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