



Called to Serve Our Parish Family:

Meet Our Parish Pastoral Council Members — Learn About the Teams and How You Can Get Involved

The Engagement Team

Each week, we'll feature one of the four Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) teams. This week's featured team is the Engagement Team. This team is dedicated to helping parishioners deepen their Catholic identity and discover their God-given purpose within our parish family. Working alongside Fr. Jeff and the parish staff, the team fosters belonging by welcoming new members, supporting families after key sacramental moments, and creating opportunities for meaningful connection and spiritual growth. If you have a gift for connecting with others and a heart for drawing people closer to Jesus, we invite you to consider joining this team. Please reach out to one of the PPC members listed below if you feel called to serve on the Engagement Team and help strengthen our parish community.



Nicole Eckenrode

Nicole Eckenrode grew up in Minnesota and in upstate New York. In 1998, she moved with her family to Gibsonia and joined St. Martha and Mary Parish. In 2014, Nicole, with her husband Joshua and children, moved to Peters Township and found a spiritual home at St. Louise, part of the Saint Catherine Labouré Parish. Nicole is a mother to five children, with a daughter attending Oakland Catholic High School, a son at PTHS, two daughters at St. Louise de Marillac School, and their youngest child at home enjoying being 2½. Nikki and her husband coach cross country and track and field for St. Louise. They are also co-founders of Rogue Elite Run Club. Nicole is a member of the Amazing R4CE committee and yearly offering the Kids of Steel Program training to the STL students. Nicole graduated from Wheeling Jesuit University in 2004, majoring in history and minoring in marketing and Spanish. After graduation, she worked in the food service industry. Nicole is extremely passionate about total body wellness—of the mind, body, and soul—and has spent the last 17 years as a stay-at-home mom. She has created many different community groups focusing on health and wellness, fitness, women's Bible studies, and faith and fellowship. She is passionate about discovering the talents and gifts God has given and learning ways to live a well-balanced life. Nicole can be reached at neckenrode@sclpgh.org.



Sarah MacDonald

Sarah MacDonald was raised Catholic and grew up attending St. Francis of Assisi Church in Finleyville. She has been a parishioner of St. Catherine Labouré since 2009. Over the years she has been involved in several parish programs, including leading ChristLife groups, participating in On Fire!, serving as Sacristan, and currently is part of Martha Ministry. Outside of the parish she has led Catholic infertility support groups with the FertilityCare Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. Sarah resides in Bethel Park with her husband and two young boys. She was married at St. Catherine Labouré Parish, her boys were baptized in the church, and her oldest son currently attends preschool at St. Louise school. Sarah graduated from California University of PA and currently works for a local School District. Sarah can be reached at smacdonald@sclpgh.org



Jason Zych

Jason Zych grew up in the South Hills of Pittsburgh as a cradle Catholic. After spending his childhood years going through the motions at church, he had an awakening to Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist as a high school freshman. This completely transformed his life. After completing high school, Jason spent 2 years discerning diocesan priesthood at St. Paul Seminary. He then transferred to Franciscan University of Steubenville to complete undergraduate studies in Theology. After graduation, Jason worked in parish ministry for 16 years in many roles, but mainly as a Youth Minister; 13 of those years were spent working at St. Louise de Marillac. Currently, Jason works as a Project Manager for an IT support services company. Most importantly, Jason is blessed to have an amazing wife, Sarah, and is a father of 7 wonderful children who always teach him something new about God's marvelous creation. Jason can be reached at jzych@sclpgh.org