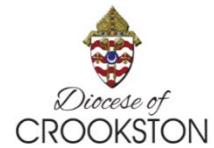




New Life

Through the Tender Compassion of Our God



Regional (OGG) Planning for Mission: Meeting Agenda (1.5 Hours)

Total Time: 90 minutes

Purpose: To gather in prayer and reflection as we begin the “Planning for Mission” process in our parishes.

St. Francis Xavier, Oklee | Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2025 | 6:30 p.m.

31 participants and Fr. Bryan Kujawa

DPC Member: Barb Schmitz

Jim Remer, Janelle Gergen, Bishop Cozzens

1. Welcome and Introduction – Jim (5 minutes)

- “Who am I, and why are we here?”
 - Announcement made at parishes.
 - Time to hear from Bishop, adoration, feedback, questions.
- Brief overview of the purpose and spirit of the session.
 - Explain what we will do this evening
 - Briefly review principles from Regional Planning Process document.
 - Principles 5-8 of overview document.

2. Why We Are Here – Bishop (15 minutes)

- Opening Prayer by Bishop Cozzens
- What is *Planning for Mission*?
- Why prayer is the foundation of this process.
- Invitation to enter a time of reflection before the Lord.
- Announce that we will collect the questions after the sharing.

3. Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction (20 minutes)

Guided Reflection Prompts:

Bishop led a guided reflection before the Blessed Sacrament, inviting parishioners to answer the three questions below.

Three questions are provided on a half-page handout and collected afterward.

1. How have you encountered Jesus at your parish?
2. What is the greatest challenge you face as a parish?
3. What would need to change for your parish to grow?

(Conclude with Benediction.)

4. Small Group Sharing (15 minutes)

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2. What is the greatest challenge you face as a parish?
3. What would need to change for your parish to grow?

5. Large Group Sharing (10 minutes)

Parents set an example for us.

My wife becoming Catholic in this church.

Society is focused on what we get out of something instead of what we put into something.

6. The Planning for Mission Process – Bishop (15 minutes)

- Review of the *Planning for Mission* handout.
- Review of scenarios sheet.
- Walk through the steps of the process.

7. Closing and Questions (10 minutes)

- Floor open for comments or questions.
 - Is this because we have lack of priests?
 - Partially but we also need to look at why we have lost 30% of participation over 10 years.
 - How are the prospects for the diaconate?
 - An increase of men in the diaconate is real right now. The dynamics of this are different than priesthood. (explained by Bishop Cozzens)
 - Question and discussion around number of Masses per weekend and travel, also questions around Vigil Masses.
- Closing remarks and blessing.
 - Our Lady of Guadalupe prayer