



Chippewa Falls Catholic Community

Pastoral Plan - Winter 2022 Update

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First Phase 2021-2026

The Pastoral Plan consists of six general areas: Parish Organization, Faith Formation and Evangelization, Social Justice, Stewardship and Communication, Finances and Facilities, and McDonell Area Catholic Schools.

This update focuses on the Social Justice goal - study the personal and social needs of people in the Chippewa Falls area to serve and collaborate better with local organizations and recruit and train more volunteers.

There is an impressive list of social justice programs that are supported with talent and resources in the Chippewa Falls community. There are 20 teams of families and individuals that work together to provide meals at:

- Sojourner House (Homeless Shelter in Eau Claire)
- Agnes Table (Community Table) in Chippewa Falls

Volunteers from around our community donate and help run the St. Francesca Resource Center located on Notre Dame's campus:

- Food Pantry
- Clothing Closet
- Earn While you Learn program for new or expecting parents
- St. Paul Street Evangelization group also volunteers at St. Francesca, sharing the gospel.

Our parishes work together with others in the Mission Coalition (17 local churches) to help the homeless through the following programs.

- Hope Village (Tiny House Project)
- Soles for Souls - collecting shoes
- Lather with Love - collecting laundry soap
- Lighten Your Load - collecting quarters for the laundromat

Other important programs include:

- Support the Spirit of Christmas community program
- Jail Ministry (St. Charles)
- Christmas and May Baskets (Holy Ghost)
- Advent Donations (Holy Ghost)

New volunteers and monetary donations are always welcomed in all of these programs. Please reach out to your parish office to find out how you can become more involved.

The Catholic community in the Chippewa Falls area has been working hard to implement the Pastoral Plan that was developed in early 2021. In an effort to be transparent with all parishioners and stakeholders, **quarterly updates** will be made available in parish bulletins and on the MACS website.



The complete Pastoral Plan, along with the reports and survey results that helped build the plan, can be found at <https://bit.ly/meitler>

Watch for the next update in the spring.

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