

Diocesan Pastoral Council Goals

1. **Our Christian call & mission**

We will explore the foundational understanding of baptism as initiation into the priesthood, life & mission of Christ.

We will reflect upon, encourage & tangibly support the various adult vocational choices through which the baptismal call is lived & deepened.

2. **Community**

We will seek to build communities that are welcoming, healing, inclusive, interconnected, ecumenical & reaching out - seeking ways to link those who actively participate in the worshipping community & those who do not.

3. **Collaborative leadership**

Parishes & diocesan agencies/bodies will, through collaborative processes, discern their particular mission in line with diocesan vision, assess their wisest use of resources, & ensure adequate formation for all roles and ministries.

4. **Enriching liturgy**

We will work towards life-giving, participative, inclusive liturgy, based upon Vatican II principles & sound liturgical spirituality, & underpinned by well-resourced & formed ministries.

5. **Lifelong education & formation in faith**

We will be learning communities, providing diverse, flexible & accessible opportunities to explore scripture, Vatican II theology, Catholic social teaching, & a spirituality which connects prayer, faith, life, culture & mission.

6. **Engagement with young people in Church life & mission**

We will seek to understand - through dialogue - the culture, challenges & concerns of young people, & foster their active engagement at every level of church life & mission.