

## **Mission and Vision Update as of June 5, 2021**

### **Encounter #1- Increased Adoration**

-The last weekend in May we made announcements and had a table out to encourage more adorers. It was effective especially as a bridge over the summer months when many people are away.

-After we get Wednesday and Thursday solidified, we'll look at adding another day.

### **Encounter #2- Aligned Activities**

-The Parish Leadership Team continues to meet on a weekly basis to help Fr. O'Brien in the task of continual parish renewal. Recent activity included the hiring of Angela Vivar to assist in the office especially with outreach to our Spanish speakers.

### **Encounter #3- Entry Points**

-Father O'Brien will offer "A Walk Through the Catechism" on Saturdays this summer. The first class had about 40 people included several people who are thinking about becoming Catholic.

### **Encounter #5- Spanish Mass Attendance**

-In May we hosted a Spanish speaking counselor from Catholic Charities of Eastern Oklahoma to speak on "healing" to respond to the traumas many of our Spanish speakers have experienced. About 30 people attended

-Hiring Angela Vivar to assist in the office and on Sundays will be a huge help.

### **Encounter #8- The Rosary**

-Through the diligence of the Agnew Family and Mona Pratt, the daily 8pm online rosary continues. Our summer seminarians will get involved to give the Agnews and Mona Pratt a break from time to time.

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### **Grow #2- Following Christ**

-"Sharing Christ" has been meeting on Tuesday nights with about 15 people involved.

-"A Walk Through the Catechism" is a grow opportunity for those who will come. Talks are also being recorded and included on our SoundCloud account.

-Summer St. Joseph Consecration and Invitation to Personal Prayer will also help many grow in their relationship with Christ.

### **Grow #5- Adult Catechesis in Spanish**

-Deacon Tom Cabeen completed his "Sacrament" course on Friday evenings and is planning "Genesis to Jesus" seminar on Friday evenings starting in June.

### **Grow #6- Marriage Preparation**

-New Wedding Coordinator Amy Wells has been onboarded and is now working with all couples and clergy. She's off to a great start.

### **Grow #8- Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life**

-Diocese of Tulsa seminarians Robert Williams and Joey Griggs will be at the parish all summer shadowing the priests and helping promote vocations.

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### **Go #1- Making Missionary Disciples**

-The first group to go all the way through Discovering Christ, Following Christ, and Sharing Christ is about to finish.

### **Go #2- Welcoming the Poor**

-The "Love Thy Neighbor" plan continues to bear fruit. It's allowed outreach ministries to grow and have more clarity about their specific mission.

### **Go #3- Stillwater Catholic Charities**

-Under the leadership of parishioner Mike Fitzgerald, Stillwater Catholic Charities continues to offer high school equivalency courses and English as a Second Language courses. We wanted to emphasize education and teaching specific skills to help individuals better provide for themselves and their families.

-Specific efforts will be made this summer to reach more Spanish speakers.

### **Go #6- Use of New Media**

-Livestreaming of Sunday Masses will continue as it reaches the homebound and those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith but may not come to the church building just yet.

-Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Flocknote continue to be beneficial in helping promote various initiatives around the parish.

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### **Building #2- Stained Glass Windows**

-We are engaging with another company to see if they can do the work that will be required for our parish. We have not found a company that we believe can do the size, scope, and quality of our project. Many are small companies with 1 or 2 artists. If this is

a 10 year project, there's concern of having to switch artists halfway through if they die, retire, or move to another job. Companies can't guarantee the continuity of work.

#### **Building #4- Catholic School**

-A community wide survey is being developed in conjunction with the Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Tulsa. A draft was sent to Fr. O'Brien by the Superintendent of Catholic Schools David Dean.