DIOCESAN/ST. PIUS X UNIFIED PASTORAL PLAN – PILLAR II – EVANGELIZATION Catholic evangelization can be described simply as "sharing our joy." We invite; we welcome; we listen; we embrace, and as the Pope explains, we must reach out.		
AIM III: EMBRACE AND SHARE THE WORD Seek, invite and welcome Catholics who have drifted away from the Church. Share your faith with others.	The recently formed New Evangelization Ministry provides parishioners with a variety of resources and opportunities to rekindle their love for Jesus and the Gospel; and to empower them to spread the Good News.	Use social media to "get the word out" – to connect more directly, especially with youth and young adults. Invite friends and neighbors to attend Mass with us.
	Cursillo: Strives to provide members with techniques, spiritual strength and support to make natural evangelization possible within their various environments.	The Cursillo movement isn't widely understood. More parishioners could be engaged in the process if they had more knowledge about the program, about what it is and what would be expected.
	The Welcome Committee contacts newly registered parishioners to welcome them to the parish, to provide information about liturgical services and parish organizations; and to answer their questions about parish life.	
AIM IV: CELEBRATE OUR UNITY THROUGH THE SACRAMENTS Emphasize and outwardly proclaim the importance of the sacraments and all vocations.	Anointing of the Sick - Fr. George anoints the sick who are hospitalized or home bound, and those who request anointing to help them face difficulties associated with illness. Baptism preparation classes are held for parents in advance of the Baptism, which is celebrated during Mass to welcome newly baptized into our faith community.	We should follow up after the Easter Vigil, Weddings, and Baptisms to encourage participants to remain connected to the Catholic Church, and to feel welcome to become active members of our parish family.
	First Eucharist preparation begins in the first grade and culminates in the second grade with the reception of the sacrament.	

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Confirmation preparation begins in the seventh grade and culminates with the reception of the sacrament in the eighth grade. RCIA program prepares adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church; also prepares baptized Catholics who have not made their First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

Reconciliation Second grade students are prepared through study and practice sessions. Reconciliation opportunities are scheduled every Saturday afternoon. On Friday evenings during Lent, there are opportunities for the Sacrament in advance of the Stations of the Cross.

Marriage Preparation Ministry couples help engaged couples prepare for the Sacrament by administering the FOCCUS questionnaire and discussing the results with the couple.