

**St. Mildred Roman Catholic Church
Swansboro, North Carolina 28584**

Parish Mission Statement

“We are the People of God, serving the Reign of God”

Parish Goals 2010-2011

Liturgical Goals

We will continue to promote participation of all in our Liturgical and Sacramental celebrations by:

- Inviting all ministries to a Ministry Day in October,
- Training our Ministers (Ushers, Greeters, Lectors, Altar Servers, and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharistic) in October and November,
- Recruiting members for our Liturgy Committee and continuing their formation and education,
- Supporting involvement of parishioners in Eucharistic Adoration, and
- Supporting development of the Music Ministry.

Vocations to the Priesthood, Consecrated Life and Diaconate

We will continue to pray for and encourage religious vocations among us by:

- Including appeals for vocations in the Prayer of the Faithful at Liturgy, and
- Inviting those preparing for the Priesthood or those already serving the Lord as priest brother, deacon, or sister to share their vocations with us by preaching or sharing a reflection with us at Liturgical celebrations, prayer services, devotions and days of recollection.

Passing on the Gift of Faith to Our Youth

We will continue to encourage our youth to grow in their faith and their sense of responsibility to the Church Community by:

- Inviting all school age children to attend Faith Formation classes,
- Supporting the parish programs for grade school students and Junior/Senior High Ministry,
- Encouraging and supporting our parish youth to participate in leadership development activities such as: Disciples on the Journey, Middle School Jamboree, Connections, SEARCH and Conventions sponsored by the Diocese,
- Maintaining a homeschooling support ministry to help educate interested families in the homeschool journey from a Catholic perspective, and
- Incorporating regularly scheduled parish social activities that bring together and encourage interaction between children of all ages and adults of the parish.

Community Awareness and Involvement

We will seek to promote awareness of the needs for social ministry and ecumenical participation in our local community by:

- Responding generously to the needs of others in times of sickness, death or financial loss through the Parish Social Ministries,
- Responding to the needs of those who are single parents, divorced, widowed, imprisoned or feeling left out,
- Supporting and remaining involved in assistance ministries in our local area, which include Hem of His Garment and Meals on Wheels, and
- Actively participating in the White Oak Ecumenical Ministerial Association.

Financial Responsibilities

We will encourage generous sharing and responsible handling of financial resources by:

- Remaining actively involved in the annual BAA campaign,
- Enhancing our Building Fund via special collections in anticipation of Phase II of the Parish Master Plan, and
- Continuing the Finance Council practice of full disclosure of financial information to the parish on a quarterly basis.

We trust that our liturgies, our prayers, our education and good works are directed toward the accomplishment of these goals. We do not pledge complete success, but we do pledge our faithfulness.