

Guide to Our Parish Ministries



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*As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as
good stewards of God's manifold grace. - 1 Peter 4:1*

Dear Lord,

Teach me to be as generous

as You have been generous to me.

Teach me that all that I am and have are gifts from You

and that these gifts are meant to be shared with others.

Show to me the joys of generosity.

Help me to understand that others,

even those unknown to me, may benefit from my help.

Keep me ever mindful that, as Your disciple,

I am called to be a “good Samaritan”

and to share Your “Good News” with the world.

Jesus, make me a gift to others in Your name. Amen.



How to Use This Parish Ministry Booklet

Know. Familiarize yourself with our parish ministries. Learn basic information about their specific purpose and the level of commitment needed.

Pray and Discern. Do a prayerful inventory of your own God-given gifts. If you need help to know your gifts, take the *Spiritual Gifts Assessment Tool* at oprprp.dor.org/quiz or by scanning the QR Code below. Then, seek to match your gifts with a ministry or two.



Call. Connect with the ministry contact person by phone or by email. Ask him/her about the ministry. Share with him/her the fruit of your prayer and discernment.

Act. Give a ministry or two a try. Work with the contact person so you may see and engage with the ministry team in action.

Commit. Listen, trust and surrender to the Holy Spirit. Through a ministry, respond to Jesus' call to serve. To serve with love. To serve with joy.

A mature Christian is one who imitates the immense generosity of God to him/her by being equally generous to others.

Remember. *"It is in giving that we receive!"*

Saint Patrick, pray for us!

I. Liturgy and Sacramental Life

Because disciples pray.

Altar Linen

We take care of the linens and towels used in the liturgy. Instructions on the care of the linen will be provided. Weekly work is divided among volunteers.

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Altar Servers

To assist the priest and the deacon during their celebration of the Mass. Altar servers provide an example to others of how to be an active participant at Mass. We welcome both children who have received their First Holy Communion and adults to the ministry.

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Baptism Preparation

Baptism prep team meets with parents that are seeking baptism for their child. The ministry meets with the couple once to review and discuss the “Reborn” series to discuss the rite of baptism and help the couple prepare. The ministry also looks to build relationships with new families and encourage participation in the parish, if not already doing so. We hope that the parish is a welcoming space for families of young children and wish to support families in bringing their children to mass regularly.

Meeting Times

First Tuesday of every month, 6:00 pm, parish center. (If there is a couple needing the class).

Contact

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

We offer this ministry to our children September through June, the second and fourth Sundays, during the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses. Join our leaders and aides and to help with the readings, responses, and reflections on the Word of God. We would appreciate your time once every month or two. Prep time for the leader is 30-60min. Materials, training, and support are provided. CASE training and background check is required for all parishioners who work with children.

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Church Cleaners

We help keep the church space clean by sweeping and vacuuming church flooring, and by dusting and polishing pews and sacred furniture. We meet and clean the church space once a week.

We welcome additional help.

Meeting Times

Once a week. Schedule varies depending on the members' availability. Usually starts at 11:00 am between Friday – Monday. Clean up takes 30 minutes to an hour, depending on the number of volunteers.

Contact

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Eucharistic Ministers

This ministry invites devoted parishioners to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion for the Mass. Training and certification are required.

Communion ministers are scheduled at least once a month and are asked to arrive 15 minutes prior to their preferred Mass time. Candidates must have received Confirmation and must have good moral character.

Contact

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Lectors

As a lector, our mission is to help proclaim the Word of God to the assembly. We believe that God continues to speak to us, in a special way, through the Liturgy of the Word. Lectors are entrusted with the responsibility of proclaiming the Word of God. They are comfortable with speaking in public and prepare themselves in advance to proclaim God's word. Training and resources are provided. Lectors are scheduled at least once a month at their preferred Mass time. We welcome both adults and children to this ministry.

Meeting Times

Annual meeting in the parish center.

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Liturgy Committee

We oversee the training of our liturgical ministers and assist in preparing our parish liturgies so that our parishioners are both informed and nurtured in their prayer and spiritual life. The committee includes Father Edison, Deacon, Liturgical Minister coordinators and other interested parishioners. Do you regularly celebrate and have a profound love for all the sacraments? Do you see yourself inspiring parishioners to actively and consciously participate in the liturgy? This committee is for you!

We welcome new participants to our committee who can help participate in planning our Liturgical year as well as contribute to aligning Parish themes and goals with other Diocesan, USCCB, and Vatican initiatives. The goal is always to help our Parish grow in faith and community.

Meeting Times

Second Monday of the month at 6:00 pm in the alcove.

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Liturgical Environment

Our team works to prepare and decorate a meaningful sacred environment that will help promote understanding of the liturgical cycle and active participation in the sacred liturgy. The environment particularly in the church as well as in the Parish Center (for overflow and for our Religious Education Programs) changes with each liturgical season and on special feast and holy days. The Church's liturgical books provide guidance in what we do. We hope that by preparing and decorating the sacred spaces appropriately, parishioners may enter more deeply in the mysteries and the liturgies that we celebrate.

Volunteers plan, make, set up, and take down the decorations with each change of season or special day as well as care for the parish plants.

Do you have a flair or interest for the liturgy, celebrating the faith, caring for flowers and plants, and decorating sacred spaces? Consider joining us. Any level of ability is welcome as well as all ages!

Meeting Times

Our meetings consist of planning, prepping and actual decorating related to the Liturgical Seasons of the year. During Ordinary time, we continue to maintain plants and arrangements as mentioned above on a weekly basis ideally on a rotating schedule amongst the volunteers.

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Marriage Preparation

We coordinate and lead a Pre-Cana retreat to help prepare engaged couples for marriage. The team provides guidance and witness by sharing our own Christian marriage experience. Tasks during the retreat may include giving a talk, facilitating small group discussions, or serving food. We have a variety of humble marriage experiences on our team, none of which is the “perfect marriage”. Team members also have the opportunity to give a 5-minute talk for the Couples' Night Out sessions.

Married couples willing to be part of small group discussions are encouraged to join, as well as individuals or couples who enjoy hospitality and can help in the kitchen for 1-2 hours.

Meeting Times

Full day Pre-Cana retreat held on a Saturday in early February at St. Patrick's parish center. 1-2 brief planning meetings during the year (usually in January) held at St. Patrick's.

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Music Ministry

Saint Augustine said: “When we sing, we pray twice!” Sung prayer expresses the joy of the heart, the happiness resulting from one who has encountered Jesus Christ and experienced his love. Sung prayer reminds us of the choirs of heaven, with whom we are called to praise God eternally in heaven. At St. Patrick’s, all our music ministries support the parish in enriching, inspiring, motivating, and engaging all parishioners in the Eucharistic liturgy and other sacramental celebrations. We seek to develop the assembly as a primary musician who participates, fully and consciously, in the liturgy. “God has bestowed upon his people the gift of song. God dwells within each human person. In the place where music takes its source. Indeed, God, the giver of song, is present whenever his people sing his praises.” (Sing to the Lord).

Are you looking for a way to praise the Lord through music? Would you like to be a part of a dynamic ministry that combines a love of music with a faith in the Lord? We would love to have you join one of our music groups! We also love to include instrumentalists of all kinds in our music.

Contact

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Sacristans

We strive to prepare our liturgical and sacramental celebrations in a way that is meaningful and enriching to those who participate in them. Sacristans do the behind the scenes: arriving early to set-up and leaving a little later to put things in order, also making sure that all liturgical ministries are covered. Do you want to be a hero – one who remains in the background, at times, unseen? Be a sacristan.

Contact

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Ushers & Greeters

First impressions last – period. This is how crucial ushers and greeters are. Before even anything happens, the warm welcome and smiles make the difference in people wanting to come back and even join our parish community. Are you especially attentive to people in wanting them to have the best experience as they set foot in our liturgical and sacramental celebrations? Be an usher and greeter.

Contact

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Visitation Ministry

Do you wish to participate in God's Corporal Works of Mercy of "Visit the Sick" or Visit the Imprisoned" Then join us! We bring Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass due to illness, hospitalization, or incarceration. You have an opportunity to bring Joy to people who are so grateful to receive the Eucharist. Time and day of visits can be worked out between the volunteer and homebound person. Most of our volunteers make visits on a weekly, or bi-weekly basis.

Contact

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II. Parish Life

Because disciples are formed as a community.

Bereavement Ministry

We are the people of the resurrection. We believe that the ties of friendship and love do not unravel with death. We seek to journey with those who experienced the loss of a loved one in light of the Paschal Mystery.

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Coffee Hour

We provide parishioners a welcoming atmosphere for families, singles, and seniors to share their lives and build community over a cup of coffee and pastries. As a ministry member, you help set up, make coffee and facilitate an enjoyable gathering for all attendees. Once or twice a year we may want to have a sharing supper after 4:30 mass.

Meeting Times

We gather in the Parish Center after the 8:30am and 10:30 am Sunday masses on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month from September to June.

Contact

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Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus brings Catholic men together in faith, fraternity and service, strengthening one another while supporting our Church, our families and our community. Council 6652 is an active group of men who enjoy working together, whether we're collecting food for the Victor Farmington Food Cupboard, serving community and parish dinners, supporting our priests and seminarians, helping families in need, volunteering at Red Wings baseball games, fundraising for charitable causes, or simply lending a hand wherever one is needed.

There's no expectation that every Knight participates in everything. Give a few hours when you can, get to know some great men in our parish, strengthen your faith and help us make a difference in our community. We meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Parish Center, and we'd be happy to have you join us.

Meeting Times

Fourth Wednesday of each month at
7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

Contacts

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Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is the Catholic Church's largest lay apostolic organization, founded in Dublin in 1921 by Frank Duff, where members volunteer to serve under the Blessed Mother's guidance for evangelization and spiritual works, meeting weekly for prayer, planning, and reporting on parish-based activities like visiting the sick, teaching, and bringing people back to the faith. Guided by Mary's role as Mediatrix of All Graces, members aim to grow closer to Christ by performing apostolic work in pairs, mirroring Mary's humble service and bringing God's love to often forgotten people.

Active Members visit many places each week, such as adult homes, private homes, the VA, and the jail, where we lead in praying the Rosary and Communion Services. We also coordinate the St. Patrick Traveling Chalice and Paten Program to help promote vocations in the Church. We also help with the cleaning of the church basement. At our meetings, we pray together and discuss the apostolic works that we have done that week. Auxiliary members simply read a small prayer pamphlet each day to remain active.

Meeting Times

Fridays at 9:15 am in the alcove.

Contact

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Parish Life Committee

Our mission for the parish life committee is to organize, plan, and execute social events, parties, and other similar community building events for the parish.

Meeting Times

First Tuesday of the month but are flexible for members who have scheduling conflicts. Usually in the alcove but sometimes online zoom meetings.

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Young Adult Ministry

Rooted in faith and guided by Romans 12:12, our mission is to foster hope through fellowship, reach out to those in need, and deepen our relationship with God through prayer to better become the hands and feet of Christ.

Meeting Times

Based on group availability; usually 1-2 times per month.

Contact

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III. Christian Formation

Because disciples learn from Jesus and one another.

Adult Faith Formation

We recognize the importance of ongoing formation in the Catholic faith. Various offerings are available throughout the Liturgical Year. Please refer to the bulletin for ongoing updates.? Meeting Times: May vary according to the offering.

Contact

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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

We welcome adults and children (seven years and older) into the Catholic Faith and guide them through the process towards full initiation into the Catholic Church. The RCIA is a wonderful opportunity for you to share your faith experience with those people looking to join our way of life as Catholics. Time commitment varies depending on the needs of the candidates and catechumens. While the period of inquiry occurs year-round, the formal catechesis usually begins in October through Pentecost.

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Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is currently offered to children ages 3-5. Grounded in an understanding and appreciation of the child's engagement with Scripture and Liturgy, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd offers a gentle way to honor the genuine spiritual life of children through Montessori methodology.

Meeting Times

Thursdays 3:00-4:30 pm

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Divine Mercy Cenacle

We are Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy, and we continue our journey of Spiritual development by using the Diary of St. Faustina, Holy Scripture, Catechism of the Catholic Church, and a Formation Manual to guide us through the Diary of St. Faustina. Join our small Christian faith group for prayer, spiritual growth, and fellowship. All are Welcome.

Meeting Times

First and third Tuesday of the month in the library room at 9:15 am.

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Parent-led Catechesis

A family-centered faith formation program that helps form all members of the family. Parents meet once a month for a class of their own while children attend class with a Catechist and families meet all together once a month for enrichment activities and to build fellowship with other families. This program is also a part of preparation for First Holy Communion.

Meeting Times

The 2nd Sunday of the month, or the 2nd Tuesday.

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Preschool

St. Patrick's Preschool provides a faith-based education with an engaging curriculum for children ages 3-5 years old. Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our early childhood program fosters spiritual, cognitive, and social-emotional development in a nurturing and safe environment.

Availability is September to early June, 2 day, 3 day, and 5 day programs; 2.5 hours a day with staggered start/end times between 8:45am-11:50am

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Rosary Group

We make beaded cord rosaries that are used for support of St. Patrick's Liturgies, special events, Pre-Cana, and Sacraments as well ministries in the Diocese of Rochester, McQuaid High School and missionaries around the world. We also learn about and make other Saint devotionals, particularly Chaplets. All supplies are furnished. No experience necessary, we can teach you. Our team can also repair chain Rosaries that have broken or need TLC.

Meeting Times

Fourth Monday of the month at 6:00pm in the alcove.

Contact

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Youth Ministry, Confirmation

We are teens and young adults who desire community, friendship, fun times, and especially support in living our Catholic faith in Jesus Christ. Our goal is to know God through the person of Jesus Christ, to love God, and to be Christ to others. We do this through service, retreats, pilgrimage, regular meetings, prayer, and spending quality time with each other. In essence, we are a second family.

The only commitment is to come as you are and get involved in as much as you can!

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IV. Service and Outreach

Because disciples serve like Jesus.

Assisi Ministry

The Assisi Ministry reaches out to the needy by parishioners, often with a meal, a phone call or a card. Also, after funerals, a card is sent to the family; to let them know they are in the prayers of Saint Patrick's parish.

Contact

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Community Dinner

We have partnered with the First Presbyterian Church in Victor to prepare and serve a hot meal to members of our community, on the second Saturday of the month. We need families to help with preparing the entrée, veggies, salad, or dessert. In addition, we could also use help with set-up, serving and clean-up. You could also donate paper products and personal care products.

Contact

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Giving Garden

In the Giving Garden, we grow a variety of fresh vegetables to help support the Victor Farmington Food Cupboard. We start in Spring with “prep and planting”. In 2023 we have converted most of the growing area to raised beds for higher yields using less water, fertilizer, and —eventually— less manual labor. Most of the seeds and seedlings are planted by the end of May. June through September are largely occupied with weeding, pest control and harvest. In October, we put the garden to bed for the winter. All who wish to help are welcome. You need not have a green thumb, just a willingness to work.

Meeting Times

Dates and work times will be announced.

Contact

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Jail Ministry

We accompany our brothers and sisters at the Ontario County Jail. On Tuesdays, we pray the Rosary with them, and on Sunday mornings, we bring them Holy Communion and conduct Communion Service.

Meeting Times

Tuesday and Sunday mornings.

Contact

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Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry began at St. Patrick's in 2007. This ministry believes in the power of prayer to heal and bring comfort to people in need. Participants knit, crochet or quilt prayer shawls for the sick in the parish and for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Baskets with shawls are in the back of the church, the side entrance and in the meeting room for funeral planning. At Christmas time, the prayer shawl ministry knits hats and scarves for the Eagle Star Housing (located in Farmington) which houses 20 veterans. The knitters add toiletries for the veterans.

Meeting Times

Second Tuesday of each month in the Alcove at 10:00 am for one hour. We have approximately 10 active participants who make prayer shawls.

Contact

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Senior Group

The main function of the group is to build community, form relationships, meet and greet new people and provide solicitation and education to interested people of the parish and community. Socialization and education is provided at each meeting. Topics of interest to seniors are provided.

Meeting Times

The 2nd Wednesday of the month except July and August, from 9:00 to 10:00 am in the parish center.

Contact

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Sew N' Sews

The Sew 'N Sews of St. Pattys is a new ministry whose members use their time, gifts and talents to meet the various sewing needs of our parish community. We also collaborate with other organizations such as Care Net and this year we will be engaged in the design/assembly of a large wall hanging for our church's centennial celebration.

“Fabric, Fellowship and Fun” is our mantra and we welcome new members to join us as we journey together to serve our community in this unique ministry.

Contact

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Social Ministry Committee

The Social Ministry's mission is to promote social justice and Christian charity. The goal is to raise the awareness level of our faith community to the needs of others, help people in our community facing crisis, and to study the economic and moral issues of the day.

Meeting Times

First Monday of every month.

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V. Stewardship

Because disciples are gifted for others.

Buildings and Grounds

We seek to maintain our buildings and grounds in good condition for all parishioners to safely use, and to help make decisions about our facilities maintenance and improvements. We encourage parishioners with backgrounds in architecture, construction, engineering and facilities to consider joining us. Our meetings are at least quarterly and more frequently when necessary.

Meeting Times

As needed.

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CASE Review Board

Why CASE Training for Parish Volunteers?

CASE stands for Creating A Safe Environment. We all know the scourge of the sexual abuse of minors in the Church, and every one of us should promote and nurture a safe environment for minors as well as vulnerable adults in the parish. When one takes the CASE training, it is not about accusing anyone as a threat, but empowering even parish volunteers to identify and promote patterns of behavior that would help ensure safety of our people.

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Cemetery Board

The Cemetery Board has oversight over Saint Patrick's Cemetery: its maintenance and improvement including its grounds and facilities, and its finances. The board consists of the pastor, the finance director, finance council member, and staff. We meet at least once a year.

Contact

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Finance Council

The Finance Council provides oversight of the Church's assets and ensures financial resources are being used appropriately. Meetings include review of the financial statements of the church, and audits are performed on a quarterly basis. In addition, the council assists the parish in CMA efforts as that has a direct tie to the overall financial health of the parish.

We currently have 5 members, and would like to add a 6th to maintain a healthy number of parishioners on the council.

Meeting Times

The last Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm in the alcove between the gathering room and the Church. The frequency of meetings is determined at the start of the fiscal year and a schedule is communicated.

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Money Counters

We count and record your generous offerings each week. We have four rotating teams consisting of three members on each team, resulting in a commitment of one morning per month for 2-3 hours. As we are always looking for new members, consider joining us!

Contact

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Parish Gardens

We are blessed with beautiful surroundings around the church and other parish buildings. Through the care and improvement of our parish gardens, we give thanks to God for the gift of nature. We would appreciate your time and talents during our spring and fall clean-up days and throughout the summer weeding and maintaining the gardens.

Meeting Times

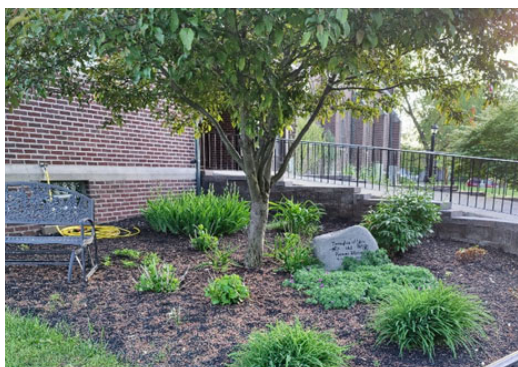
One Saturday in the spring and fall for cleanup. Flexible times during the summer for weeding and care of the gardens.

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Parish Magazine

Through the parish magazine, we will cover parish happenings, share good news, profile families, and promote religious events, teachings and more! We are looking at initially producing the magazine twice a year. If you have skills with writing, editing, design, marketing and photography, please consider joining us.

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Pastoral Council

We assist the pastor in fostering activities that advance the mission of the parish through the Parish Strategic Plan. We are the umbrella organization that seeks to assist our parish programs and ministries carry out their tasks in relation to the parish mission. Members must be willing to reach out to and engage with parishioners and must have genuine concern for the life of the parish.

Meeting Times

Second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm in the parish center.

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