FAMILY LIFE

"In spite of all the challenges families face today, the family is not a problem to be solved but a gift to be cherished" (pg. 3).

"Families are schools of love and the building blocks of the parish" (pg. 3).

"To be successful in growing as the Body of Christ, we must support, equip, and form families as vital instruments of evangelization" (pg. 3).

"Special attention should be given to those families who struggle and are in need of support" (pg. 3).

Questions for Reflection and Discussion – Personal or Small Groups

Please discuss as many questions as time allows. The parish listening sessions will focus on the last three questions.

1. What are some moments in my life when I have been drawn closer to Christ through my family?
2. When I think of my own experiences in family life, I am…
3. What do we have to celebrate? Please identify two or three ways your parish currently fosters growth within family life.
4. What is God's hope for our parish? As a result of prayer, reflection and discussion what are two or three ways in which the Lord is calling us to go within the area of family life?
5. How can we get there together? What specific programs or activities do you recommend as priorities in this important area of parish life?

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